WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL, SCOTLAND

The grouping of local authority areas in the Weekly Return of Infectious Diseases has been altered, with effect from this issue, to accord with the areas of Regional Hospital Boards. This does not affect any of the authorities in the Western Region, which is the same as the previous "Western Area," but there are small changes in the other regions. It is thought that this should avoid confusion of areas in the future, but it is to be noted that any comparison of the number of notifications for the new Regions and the old Areas will involve some adjustment of figures.

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No. 1

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 9th January 1954

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 9th January 1954, the births of 1,198 living children, and of 31 still-born children, 501 marriages and 774 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 24.1 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 10.1 and the death-rate 15.6. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 25 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 7.5 more than in the previous week, and 4.5 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 6.0 less than in the previous week, and 5.1 below the average. The death-rate is 2.6 more than in the previous week, but 1.8 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 27.2 in Perth and 20.5 in Ayr to 12.6 in Clydebank and 10.6 in Coatbridge. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Greenock 20.4 and in Falkirk 19.7. In Glasgow the rate was 14.6 and in Edinburgh 16.2.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 5 and are 2 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from whooping cough and 4 from influenza. There was also 1 death from salmonella infections and 1 from acute poliomyelitis.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 21, of which 20 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 6 more than in the previous week, and the latter 6 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 94, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.9 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.8 more than in the previous week, but 0.5 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 54, being 18 more than in the previous week. Of these, 26 were aged 0-6 days and 4 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 445, and are 53 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 41, and are 10 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 5th January 1954, was 12,668. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 36.5° being 3.3° below that for the previous week, and 2.7° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.12 inch, and the mean sunshine 13.4 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 1 **Week ended SATURDAY, January 9th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever (Undulant).	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	12
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	8	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	12
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	..	..	6	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	1	1	4	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	3
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	5	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	12	3	..	1	1	15	..	9	3	..	..	..	..	3
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Dundee B.	3	7	..	..	1	15	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	22	..	..	..	..	6	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	16
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	1	..	..	6	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	17
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	30
TOTAL	3	7	..	..	1	16	..	4	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	25	3	1	..	1	15	..	7	2	..	..	..	..	78

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	13	..	..	..	1	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	39
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Kirkcaldy B.	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	5
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	8
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	2	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	23	..	1	..	..	12	..	11	..	..	..	1	..	49
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	7	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	13
TOTAL	..	2	..	..	..	13	..	4	1	..	..	9	..	..	4	50	1	1	..	1	51	..	25	2	..	..	1	..	140
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Ayr C.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	1	..	..	2	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	6
Ayr B.	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	2	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	22	..	..	..	..	19	..	9	2	..	..	..	..	32
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Glasgow B.	15	71	..	3	6	97	..	13	..	1	..	2	3	..	3	254	..	3	5	2	41	..	36	..	..	..	1	..	39
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Renfrew C.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	8	1	..	..	..	7	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	3
Greenock B.	..	18	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5
Paisley B.	..	3	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	16	95	..	3	9	118	..	17	..	2	..	13	4	..	3	357	17	5	5	3	109	..	70	3	..	..	1	..	114
GRAND TOTAL	19	104	..	3	10	151	..	31	1	2	1	24	4	..	7	447	24	7	6	6	198	..	113	11	..	..	2	..	347

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. I

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JANUARY 9, 1954

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JANUARY 5, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 5th Jan. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	580	289	332	46	18	304	14.6	15	12	2	26	..	5	1	2	13	12	18	22	33	50	15	153	45	26	35.4	0.11	15.7	3,542
2. Edinburgh	474,500	171	54	163	21	5	147	16.2	5	4	..	5	1	1	..	..	3	3	9	13	19	19	8	98	48	27	37.1	0.07	13.3	1,034
3. Aberdeen	183,800	64	23	61	10	2	53	15.0	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	3	8	5	38	43	25	36.2	0.25	9.5	433
4. Dundee	178,300	80	24	53	10	3	46	13.5	1	3	..	5	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	..	11	8	3	19	42	28	36.0	0.05	15.1	531
5. Paisley	94,400	34	4	36	6	1	31	17.1	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	3	7	4	1	18	47	27	37.6	0.04	11.6	298
6. Greenock	76,700	40	14	32	3	1	30	20.4	..	2	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	1	4	19	48	30	38.9	0.19	8.4	260
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	34	12	20	2	8	26	19.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	7	4	1	17	..	..	..	..	..	438
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	19	8	17	3	3	17	18.0	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	9	..	..	..	..	..	188
9. Coatbridge	49,200	26	15	7	1	4	10	10.6	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	244
10. Dunfermline	45,200	21	10	22	10	1	13	15.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	2	..	11	44	26	35.7	0.06	15.7	191
11. Clydebank	45,700	23	4	6	1	6	11	12.6	2	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	205
12. Ayr	43,200	13	10	18	4	3	17	20.5	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	4	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	221
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	26	3	12	..	3	15	18.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	3	3	1	1	7	44	23	35.0	0.23	16.9	157
14. Perth	40,300	12	12	21	2	2	21	27.2	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	2	5	1	12	52	25	36.8	0.04	14.7	120
15. Hamilton	41,100	20	10	9	2	3	10	12.7	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	414
16. Falkirk	37,100	17	1	21	8	1	14	19.7	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	1	10	..	..	..	..	..	196
17. Airdrie	31,400	18	8	6	..	3	9	14.9	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	125
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Jan. 9, 1954.	2,588,300	1198	501	836	129	67	774	15.6	31	26	4	54	2	6	1	5	21	20	36	58	103	109	41	445	52†	23†	36.5‡	0.12‡	13.4‡	
Jan. 2, 1954.	2,588,300	823	800	697	98	48	647	13.0	20	18	4	36	5	4	..	3	15	14	27	27	105	102	31	392	53†	25†	39.8‡	0.13‡	13.2‡	
Jan. 10, 1953.	2,588,300	1081	409	920	112	56	864	17.4	27	16	8	35	5	7	5	11	32	29	41	81	107	119	37	515	48†	18†	34.5‡	0.23‡	10.4‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 16th January 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 16th January 1954, the births of 879 living children, and of 38 still-born children, 225 marriages and 754 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.7 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 4.5 and the death-rate 15.2. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 41 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 6.4 less than in the previous week, and 1.4 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 5.6 less than in the previous week, and 0.6 below the average. The death-rate is 0.4 less than in the previous week, and 2.1 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 22.6 in Motherwell and Wishaw and 21.7 in Ayr to 11.6 in Airdrie and 9.8 in Falkirk. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dunfermline 18.5 and in Edinburgh 16.8. In Glasgow the rate was 14.7.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2 and are 3 fewer than in the previous week. They include 1 from meningococcal infections and 1 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 26, of which 23 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 5 more than in the previous week, and the latter 3 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 84, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.7 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week, and 1.0 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 27, being 27 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 14 were aged 0-6 days and 2 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 471, and are 26 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 33, and are 8 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 12th January 1954, was 25,824. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 41.4° being 4.9° above that for the previous week, and 2.4° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.27 inches and the mean sunshine 10.8 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 2 **Week ended SATURDAY, January 16th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever (Undulant).	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	5
Inverness B.	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	4	3	..	..	..	..	5
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	5	..	..	..	14	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	8
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dundee B.	2	34	..	..	1	7	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	3	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	12
Perth and Kinross C.	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	30
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	27
TOTAL	3	34	..	..	1	9	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	1	..	..	..	9	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	70

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	20
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	9	1	..	..	9	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	28
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	5	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	11
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	2
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	22	..	3	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	14	..	18	1	..	..	..	..	32
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	16	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	11
TOTAL	..	3	..	..	..	26	..	5	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	26	10	1	..	1	60	..	27	3	1	..	..	..	120
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	6	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	13
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	5	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Lanark C.	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	28	..	..	..	1	15	..	11	1	..	..	..	..	51
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	14
Glasgow B.	10	199	..	5	5	91	..	7	..	..	..	11	..	..	3	170	..	..	4	5	51	..	51	6	..	..	..	..	88
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	5	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	8	1	..	..	..	4	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	9
Greenock B.	..	14	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	1	5	..	..	..	4	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	2
Paisley B.	..	8	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	4	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	6
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	8	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
TOTAL	10	224	..	5	5	109	..	10	1	..	..	25	3	..	8	263	22	..	4	6	120	..	88	14	..	..	..	..	216
GRAND TOTAL	13	263	..	5	6	147	..	18	1	..	..	29	3	..	8	321	38	1	4	7	207	..	144	20	1	..	..	..	419

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 2

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JANUARY 16, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JANUARY 12, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 12th Jan. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow .	1,086,800	399	87	327	40	20	307	14.7	22	5	2	9	..	1	1	..	18	16	9	24	55	27	16	182	49	33	40.7	2.01	7.8	7,441
2. Edinburgh	474,500	117	35	166	25	12	153	16.8	4	2	..	5	..	1	..	1	..	..	12	15	24	21	4	93	51	33	41.5	0.88	11.7	2,045
3. Aberdeen .	183,800	62	18	63	19	2	46	13.0	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	5	9	..	36	47	31	40.0	0.40	17.2	1,026
4. Dundee .	178,300	67	22	48	5	4	47	13.7	4	..	..	2	..	1	..	1	2	2	4	1	8	6	3	35	46	32	38.9	0.48	16.9	1,177
5. Paisley .	94,400	36	7	30	7	4	27	14.9	2	2	..	3	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	2	6	1	2	12	51	34	43.8	2.01	7.1	581
6. Greenock .	76,700	23	10	28	5	1	24	16.3	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	4	3	4	16	51	34	43.2	2.42	3.4	602
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	23	4	25	2	7	30	22.6	1	3	..	3	1	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	4	4	..	19	..	..	..	..	..	864
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	27	4	17	2	..	15	15.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	2	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	393
9. Coatbridge	49,200	15	10	10	..	1	11	11.7	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	393
10. Dunfermline	45,200	10	6	18	3	1	16	18.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	13	50	32	40.0	0.99	11.1	410
11. Clydebank	45,700	20	2	14	5	4	13	14.8	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	368
12. Ayr . .	43,200	11	3	14	1	5	18	21.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	2	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	439
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	21	7	12	3	2	11	13.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	5	..	..	5	51	33	42.5	1.53	7.4	355
14. Perth .	40,300	13	7	15	9	6	12	15.5	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	1	1	1	9	51	31	42.1	0.72	14.2	318
15. Hamilton .	41,100	14	..	5	1	6	10	12.7	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	2	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	774
16. Falkirk .	37,100	7	1	11	4	..	7	9.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	387
17. Airdrie .	31,400	14	2	5	..	2	7	11.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	269
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Jan. 16, 1954.	2,588,300	879	225	808	131	77	754	15.2	38	14	2	27	1	3	4	2	26	23	30	54	130	81	33	471	51†	31†	41.4‡	1.27‡	10.8‡	
Jan. 9, 1954.	2,588,300	1198	501	836	129	67	774	15.6	31	26	4	54	2	6	1	5	21	20	36	58	103	109	41	445	52†	23†	36.5‡	0.12‡	13.4‡	
Jan. 17, 1953.	2,588,300	965	207	849	123	47	773	15.6	25	22	2	41	6	8	2	3	17	14	36	66	108	92	30	473	55†	29†	43.5‡	0.18‡	7.5‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 3

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 23rd January 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 23rd January 1954, the births of 918 living children, and of 17 still-born children, 246 marriages and 734 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.5 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 5.0 and the death-rate 14.8. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 18 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.8 more than in the previous week, and 0.1 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.5 more than in the previous week, and 0.4 above the average. The death-rate is 0.4 less than in the previous week, and 1.7 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 25.9 in Perth and 23.2 in Airdrie to 10.2 in Hamilton and 9.5 in Greenock. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Ayr 21.7 and in Coatbridge 19.1. In Glasgow the rate was 12.9 and in Edinburgh 16.4.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 6 and are 4 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from whooping cough and 5 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 16, of which 13 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 10 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 10 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 79, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.6 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.8 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 41, being 14 more than in the previous week. Of these, 24 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 452, and are 19 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 27, and are 6 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 19th January 1954, was 21,669. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 40.1° being 1.3° below that for the previous week, but 2.3° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.74 inches and the mean sunshine 5.3 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 3 **Week ended SATURDAY, January 23rd, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever (Undulant).	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Inverness B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	1	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	3	..	..	3	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	10
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	4	..	..	..	7	..	3	5	..	..	..	..	2
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	5	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	1	..	..	3	..	7	1	..	..	..	..	1
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	7	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	30	4	1	..	..	13	..	13	9	..	..	..	..	4
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	19
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	2	12	..	..	2	8	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	11	..	1	..	1	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	16
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	32
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	23
TOTAL	2	12	..	..	2	9	..	4	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	13	1	1	..	1	7	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	90

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	17
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	2	..	..	1	11	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	11
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	10
Kirkcaldy B.	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	13
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	6
Edinburgh B.	2	..	..	..	..	20	..	4	1	..	..	17	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	10	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	45
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	1	..	..	..	7	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	13
TOTAL	3	5	..	..	..	21	..	6	1	..	..	17	1	..	..	21	3	1	..	2	50	..	25	..	..	..	..	..	136
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	14	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	2
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	9	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	5	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	2
Lanark C.	..	4	..	..	..	8	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	49	..	..	..	..	12	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	32
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	2
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	4
Glasgow B.	6	183	..	2	7	101	..	7	..	..	..	5	1	..	6	122	..	2	3	3	35	..	41	4	..	..	..	..	77
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	2	..	..	..	1	..	7	1	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	3
Greenock B.	..	12	..	..	..	12	..	1	..	..	..	15	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	4
Paisley B.	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	6	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	9
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	13
TOTAL	7	213	..	2	7	133	..	17	..	..	..	25	1	..	7	245	14	3	3	3	106	..	95	11	..	..	..	..	164
GRAND TOTAL	12	231	..	2	9	178	1	32	2	..	..	43	2	..	9	314	25	6	3	9	181	..	145	20	..	..	..	..	404

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 3

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JANUARY 23, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JANUARY 19, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 19th Jan. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow .	1,086,800	400	106	277	29	20	268	12.9	9	14	2	24	5	4	1	3	6	5	11	17	34	36	12	141	50	32	39.1	2.54	3.8	6,141
2. Edinburgh	474,500	141	44	164	20	5	149	16.4	1	4	..	6	..	2	..	2	1	1	9	7	23	26	2	109	53	32	39.4	1.19	6.9	1,875
3. Aberdeen .	183,800	54	22	59	13	1	47	13.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	7	5	1	37	55	33	39.4	0.22	6.4	861
4. Dundee .	178,300	69	11	66	8	5	63	18.4	..	4	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	1	5	11	3	41	52	31	39.8	0.72	7.7	960
5. Paisley .	94,400	32	9	28	4	2	26	14.4	..	..	1	2	1	..	..	..	1	1	2	1	5	2	2	11	51	34	40.8	2.72	3.4	552
6. Greenock .	76,700	36	4	16	4	2	14	9.5	1	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	1	7	52	34	41.2	4.01	2.6	535
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	28	5	15	1	8	22	16.6	2	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	3	5	3	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	676
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	11	7	15	2	4	17	18.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	13	..	..	..	..	..	320
9. Coatbridge	49,200	24	5	13	2	7	18	19.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	6	1	2	11	..	..	..	..	..	384
10. Dunfermline	45,200	16	4	19	5	1	15	17.3	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	..	11	52	32	40.4	1.25	5.8	375
11. Clydebank	45,700	15	2	12	3	1	10	11.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	3	2	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	397
12. Ayr . .	43,200	23	5	17	3	4	18	21.7	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	4	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	349
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	14	7	14	3	2	13	16.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	..	9	52	35	41.3	1.85	3.8	304
14. Perth .	40,300	15	7	18	2	4	20	25.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	2	4	..	2	2	1	14	54	29	39.4	1.12	7.6	243
15. Hamilton .	41,100	14	4	7	1	2	8	10.2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	576
16. Falkirk .	37,100	10	2	16	4	..	12	16.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	331
17. Airdrie .	31,400	16	2	13	2	3	14	23.2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	2	1	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	225
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Jan. 23, 1954	2,588,300	918	246	769	106	71	734	14.8	17	24	3	41	7	7	1	6	16	13	37	42	103	100	27	452	55†	29†	40.1‡	1.74‡	5.3‡	
Jan. 16, 1954.	2,588,300	879	225	808	131	77	754	15.2	38	14	2	27	1	3	4	2	26	23	30	54	130	81	33	471	51†	31†	41.4‡	1.27‡	10.8‡	
Jan. 24, 1953.	2,588,300	919	239	744	91	46	699	14.1	24	21	7	40	8	8	3	4	22	20	23	50	114	101	22	430	49†	30†	41.0‡	0.27‡	12.1‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 4

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

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Week ended Saturday, 30th January 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 30th January 1954, the births of 926 living children, and of 31 still-born children, 257 marriages and 633 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.7 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 5.2 and the death-rate 12.8. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 32 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.2 more than in the previous week, and 0.9 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.2 more than in the previous week, but the same as the average. The death-rate is 2.0 less than in the previous week, and 3.6 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 22.2 in Kirkcaldy and 16.8 in Perth to 6.8 in Clydebank and 6.4 in Coatbridge. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Greenock 16.3 and in Edinburgh 15.7. In Glasgow the rate was 12.2.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1 and are 5 fewer than in the previous week. The death registered was from whooping cough.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 16, of which 15 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are the same as in the previous week, and the latter 2 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 71, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.4 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week, and 1.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 31, being 10 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 16 were aged 0-6 days and 2 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 400, and are 52 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 22, and are 5 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 26th January 1954, was 18,932. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 33.3° being 6.8° below that for the previous week, and 6.0° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.45 inch, and the mean sunshine 6.6 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 4 **Week ended SATURDAY, January 30th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever (Undulant).	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
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Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	5	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	1
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
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Arbroath B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	16	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	7	..	..	..	..	6	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	14
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	23
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
TOTAL	2	16	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	7	..	..	..	..	14	..	10	6	..	..	..	..	44

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	17	..	..	..	12	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	18
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	10
Midlothian C.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	18
Edinburgh B.	1	..	..	..	..	46	..	4	..	..	..	21	..	..	2	17	..	..	..	..	14	..	27	..	..	..	..	..	55
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
West Lothian C.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	17
TOTAL	3	6	..	..	..	49	..	6	1	..	..	21	..	..	2	24	17	..	..	..	47	..	42	2	..	..	..	..	162
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Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	8	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	1	2	..	..	2	6	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	15	..	..	2	..	12	..	7	1	..	..	..	..	27
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	6
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Glasgow B.	10	135	..	3	6	77	..	8	..	..	..	9	1	..	2	87	..	..	7	1	35	..	37	6	..	..	..	..	60
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	1
Greenock B.	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	18	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Paisley B.	..	11	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	8
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	26	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	10
TOTAL	15	169	..	3	8	117	..	17	1	..	..	32	1	..	5	142	13	..	10	1	97	..	77	11	..	..	..	..	135
GRAND TOTAL	20	191	..	3	8	173	..	27	2	..	1	54	1	..	9	190	42	..	10	2	192	..	146	22	..	..	..	..	352

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 4

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JANUARY 30, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JANUARY 26, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 26th Jan. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	423	98	266	30	18	254	12.2	19	10	2	19	1	4	..	..	12	11	12	17	39	27	9	147	37	20	30.6	0.79	12.5	5,193
2. Edinburgh	474,500	142	50	168	27	2	143	15.7	4	4	..	6	1	4	1	1	1	1	7	4	20	18	5	104	39	27	32.8	0.07	5.5	1,546
3. Aberdeen	183,800	65	21	57	18	3	42	11.9	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	7	7	..	34	40	28	34.9	0.23	0.0	784
4. Dundee	178,300	62	14	36	5	3	34	9.9	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2	4	6	1	17	38	28	34.8	0.25	0.4	885
5. Paisley	94,400	25	7	26	5	1	22	12.1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	5	..	14	39	26	33.0	0.86	9.3	491
6. Greenock	76,700	37	14	30	8	2	24	16.3	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	2	4	1	5	3	1	11	39	24	32.9	0.97	7.2	498
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	24	8	11	2	6	15	11.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	3	1	1	10	..	..	..	..	..	658
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	16	7	17	..	4	21	22.2	1	1	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	2	4	..	1	11	..	..	..	..	..	295
9. Coatbridge	49,200	21	4	5	..	1	6	6.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	303
10. Dunfermline	45,200	17	5	18	6	1	13	15.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	10	39	26	34.3	0.16	6.6	318
11. Clydebank	45,700	24	3	7	3	2	6	6.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	289
12. Ayr	43,200	12	10	9	1	..	8	9.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	310
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	8	3	9	1	3	11	13.6	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	1	5	40	23	32.0	0.39	16.8	225
14. Perth	40,300	14	2	16	5	2	13	16.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	8	38	24	34.1	0.30	1.1	205
15. Hamilton	41,100	18	7	5	1	4	8	10.2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	537
16. Falkirk	37,100	7	1	15	7	..	8	11.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	264
17. Airdrie	31,400	11	3	4	..	1	5	8.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	205
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Jan. 30, 1954.	2,588,300	926	257	699	119	53	633	12.8	31	16	2	31	2	8	2	1	16	15	38	33	98	71	22	400	40†	20†	33.3‡	0.45‡	6.6‡	
Jan. 23, 1954.	2,588,300	918	246	769	106	71	734	14.8	17	24	3	41	7	7	1	6	16	13	37	42	103	100	27	452	55†	29†	40.1‡	1.74‡	5.3‡	
Jan. 31, 1953.	2,588,300	849	264	664	92	49	621	12.5	27	19	4	38	10	7	3	5	23	20	29	46	100	60	32	352	57†	26†	43.7‡	0.91‡	11.9‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 6th February 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 6th February 1954, the births of 946 living children, and of 21 still-born children, 363 marriages and 791 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.1 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 7.3 and the death-rate 15.9. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 22 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.4 more than in the previous week, and 1.1 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 2.1 more than in the previous week, and 0.4 above the average. The death-rate is 3.1 more than in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 21.5 in Paisley and 18.4 in Ayr to 10.4 in Dunfermline and 5.1 in Hamilton. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Edinburgh and Greenock 17.5 and in Falkirk 16.7. In Glasgow the rate was 16.2.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1 and are the same as in the previous week. The death registered was from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 30, of which 27 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 14 more than in the previous week, and the latter 12 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 70, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.4 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, but 0.8 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 41, being 10 more than in the previous week. Of these, 28 were aged 0-6 days and 4 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 495, and are 95 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 29, and are 7 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 2nd February 1954, was 18,607. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 32.6° being 0.7° below that for the previous week, and 6.3° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.37 inch, and the mean sunshine 6.6 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 5 **Week ended SATURDAY, February 6th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever (Undulant).	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
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Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	3
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	6	..	..	..	6	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	15
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	11	..	..	..	..	8	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	1
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	10
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	5	10	..	..	1	14	..	4	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	12	..	..	..	1	3	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	17
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
TOTAL	5	10	..	..	1	14	..	5	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	17	..	..	..	1	6	..	7	2	..	..	..	..	52

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	17
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	15	..	..	..	12	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	10
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	7
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	4
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	53	..	..	..	..	..	31	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	7	..	19	2	..	..	..	..	58
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
TOTAL	1	5	..	..	..	55	..	4	1	..	..	31	..	..	1	17	16	1	1	..	51	..	31	3	..	..	..	..	121
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Ayr C.	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	16	1	..	..	..	6	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr B.	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	1
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	1	22	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	28	..	1	..	..	10	..	11	2	..	..	..	..	27
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	1
Glasgow B.	4	139	..	1	7	78	..	3	..	..	..	6	2	..	4	104	..	1	3	1	44	..	48	6	..	..	..	..	66
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	6
Greenock B.	..	14	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	1	6	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Paisley B.	..	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	7	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	4
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	1	8	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
TOTAL	6	170	..	1	8	114	..	8	..	..	1	17	2	..	8	184	13	2	3	2	104	..	87	13	..	..	1	..	136
GRAND TOTAL	13	186	..	1	9	199	..	19	1	..	1	50	3	..	10	239	35	3	4	3	187	..	141	20	..	..	1	..	328

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 5

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 6, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 2, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 2nd Feb. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	400	150	358	38	17	337	16.2	4	9	3	19	2	5	2	..	19	18	11	24	51	37	10	202	42	19	31.4	0.36	9.8	5,183
2. Edinburgh	470,500	164	57	180	26	4	158	17.5	5	4	..	4	1	2	..	..	1	1	8	4	20	27	7	111	40	23	31.9	0.19	7.4	1,4[illegible]8
3. Aberdeen	185,500	72	29	68	15	1	54	15.2	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	..	9	6	2	34	42	21	33.9	0.12	8.5	757
4. Dundee	177,500	58	22	52	6	2	48	14.1	5	3	1	4	..	1	..	..	1	1	2	2	9	1	..	32	43	25	33.6	0.13	6.7	774
5. Paisley	94,500	29	13	36	7	10	39	21.5	1	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	3	7	6	..	22	42	23	32.9	0.62	0.6	440
6. Greenock	77,300	39	20	26	2	2	26	17.5	1	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	7	2	1	15	41	25	33.8	1.04	5.4	602
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	23	8	14	2	7	19	14.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	2	3	4	1	12	..	..	..	..	..	550
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	22	3	13	5	3	11	11.4	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	3	3	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	276
9. Coatbridge	49,300	28	3	8	1	8	15	15.9	1	4	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	2	2	6	..	..	..	..	..	298
10. Dunfermline	45,300	11	7	14	7	2	9	10.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	6	42	20	32.6	0.07	6.3	301
11. Clydebank	46,400	17	8	11	2	4	13	14.6	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	1	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	335
12. Ayr	42,400	18	5	16	3	2	15	18.4	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	1	12	..	..	..	..	..	324
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	13	6	14	4	3	13	15.9	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	3	1	8	41	19	32.1	0.57	9.5	288
14. Perth	40,800	12	9	10	1	..	9	11.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	3	7	39	15	30.8	0.20	4.8	185
15. Hamilton	40,600	18	3	6	2	..	4	5.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	530
16. Falkirk	37,400	7	12	14	2	..	12	16.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	3	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	249
17. Airdrie	31,700	15	8	7	..	2	9	14.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	204
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Feb. 6, 1954.	2,586,800	946	363	847	123	67	791	15.9	21	28	4	41	3	9	2	1	30	27	27	43	121	98	29	495	43†	15†	32.6‡	0.37‡	6.6‡	
Jan. 30, 1954.	2,586,800	926	257	699	119	53	633	12.8	31	16	2	31	2	8	2	1	16	15	38	33	98	71	22	400	40†	20†	33.3‡	0.45‡	6.5‡	
Feb. 7, 1953.	2,588,300	876	382	648	88	41	601	12.1	19	23	..	33	10	4	..	2	22	15	21	36	95	72	23	358	49†	20†	35.7‡	0.06‡	27.2‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952 § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 6

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 13th February 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 13th February 1954, the births of 899 living children, and of 23 still-born children, 342 marriages and 747 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.1 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 6.9 and the death rate 15.1. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 25 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.0 less than in the previous week, but the same as the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.4 less than in the previous week, but the same as the average. The death-rate is 0.8 less than in the previous week, and 1.1 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 19.7 in Airdrie and 19.5 in Falkirk to 8.3 in Paisley and 7.3 in Kilmarnock. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Perth 19.2 and in Kirkcaldy 18.7. In Glasgow the rate was 14.9 and in Edinburgh 16.8.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 7 and are 6 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from meningococcal infections and 6 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 22, all of which were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 8 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 5 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 70, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.4 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, but 0.8 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 37, being 4 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 14 were aged 0-6 days and 4 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 448, and are 47 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 19, and are 10 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 9th February 1954, was 19,541. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 34.4° being 1.8° above that for the previous week, but 4.3° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.36 inches, and the mean sunshine 15.7 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 6 **Week ended SATURDAY, February 13th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever (Undulant).	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	14	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	7
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	6	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	16
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	24	..	..	..	..	6	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	1
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	27	3	..	..	..	13	..	5	5	..	..	..	..	21
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	7
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	14	..	..	..	24	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	6	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	32
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	16
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
TOTAL	..	14	..	..	..	25	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	8	1	..	1	..	17	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	65

Berwick C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	21
Fife C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	10	..	..	..	6	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	10
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	6
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	45	..	5	..	..	..	28	..	..	1	10	..	..	..	..	14	..	15	3	..	..	..	..	63
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	6	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	9
TOTAL	1	1	..	..	..	46	..	8	1	..	..	28	..	..	2	21	11	..	..	..	46	..	31	5	..	..	..	..	122
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	1	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr B.	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	3
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Lanark C.	..	5	..	..	..	18	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	1	27	..	1	1	..	13	..	10	2	..	..	1	..	21
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	9	204	..	3	7	77	1	2	..	..	2	8	1	..	2	106	..	2	4	7	36	..	31	4	..	..	..	..	83
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	..	..	5	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	4	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	2
Greenock B.	..	27	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Paisley B.	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	9
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1
Falkirk B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
TOTAL	10	247	..	3	7	110	2	7	..	..	3	24	2	..	4	189	16	4	5	7	112	..	61	23	..	..	1	..	151
GRAND TOTAL	11	262	..	3	7	186	3	18	1	..	3	52	5	..	6	246	31	4	6	7	202	..	117	33	..	..	1	..	366

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 6

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 13, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 9, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 9th Feb. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	388	160	319	23	13	309	14.9	13	5	2	17	1	2	2	1	14	14	17	9	38	37	9	173	40	27	33.8	1.29	13.7	5,565
2. Edinburgh	470,500	154	55	173	25	4	152	16.8	3	1	..	3	..	1	..	4	1	1	5	10	21	29	5	99	39	26	33.8	0.37	18.2	1,612
3. Aberdeen	185,500	51	22	56	6	1	51	14.3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	4	9	..	36	41	17	33.1	1.43	21.1	769
4. Dundee	177,500	62	24	55	6	4	53	15.6	1	3	..	3	1	1	..	..	1	1	1	6	8	5	2	33	41	22	34.5	1.88	17.7	805
5. Paisley	94,500	37	8	18	7	4	15	8.3	..	1	..	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	2	2	..	6	40	29	35.6	1.76	10.7	531
6. Greenock	77,300	36	12	23	2	..	21	14.2	..	1	..	3	..	1	..	..	1	1	1	4	1	3	..	10	41	29	35.4	1.94	10.7	544
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	20	9	19	2	5	22	16.5	..	..	2	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	2	2	6	1	11	..	..	..	..	..	647
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	26	6	19	5	4	18	18.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	283
9. Coatbridge	49,300	22	5	8	1	3	10	10.6	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	345
10. Dunfermline	45,300	13	3	14	5	1	10	11.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	1	1	..	6	40	24	34.4	0.76	20.4	291
11. Clydebank	46,400	24	5	11	2	2	11	12.3	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	1	1	..	..	3	1	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	324
12. Ayr	42,400	10	7	13	2	3	14	17.2	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	5	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	347
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	13	7	7	3	2	6	7.3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	42	28	36.0	0.78	10.9	240
14. Perth	40,800	12	5	20	6	1	15	19.2	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	1	7	41	20	33.0	2.01	17.6	202
15. Hamilton	40,600	16	7	9	1	6	14	18.0	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	2	1	11	..	..	..	..	..	557
16. Falkirk	37,400	5	4	19	7	2	14	19.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	2	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	302
17. Airdrie	31,700	10	3	10	..	2	12	19.7	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	1	2	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	222
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Feb. 13, 1954	2,586,800	899	342	793	103	57	747	15.1	23	14	4	37	5	6	4	7	22	22	30	40	95	106	19	448	42†	17†	34.4‡	1.36‡	15.7‡	
Feb. 6, 1954.	2,586,800	946	363	847	123	67	791	15.9	21	28	4	41	3	9	2	1	30	27	27	43	121	98	29	495	43†	15†	32.6‡	0.37‡	6.6‡	
Feb. 14, 1953.	2,588,300	880	442	680	97	61	644	13.0	19	17	6	31	3	4	3	5	18	18	22	38	90	96	21	404	51†	16†	34.3‡	0.61‡	12.2‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 7

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 20th February 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 20th February 1954, the births of 963 living children, and of 30 still-born children, 338 marriages and 715 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.4 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 6.8 and the death rate 14.4. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 30 per thousand total births registered (including still born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.3 more than in the previous week, and 1.1 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 1.3 below the average. The death-rate is 0.7 less than in the previous week, and 1.9 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 19.7 in Ayr and 18.3 in Kilmarnock to 7.0 in Falkirk and 4.6 in Dunfermline. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Glasgow 16.0 and in Edinburgh 15.5.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2 and are 5 fewer than in the previous week. The deaths registered were from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 19, all of which were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 3 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 3 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 79, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.6 per thousand. This death rate is 0.2 more than in the previous week, but 0.7 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 48, being 11 more than in the previous week. Of these, 28 were aged 0-6 days but there were none aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 440, and are 8 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 29, and are 10 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 16th February 1954, was 19,448. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 37.9° being 3.5° above that for the previous week, but 0.5° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.66 inch, and the mean sunshine 9.9 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 7 — **Week ended SATURDAY, February 20th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever (Undulant).	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	7	..	..	..	..	14	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	1
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	3	..	..	..	5	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	11
Aberdeen B.	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	8	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	3
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25	3	..	..	..	23	..	15	3	..	..	..	..	17
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	2
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dundee B.	1	15	..	..	..	19	..	2	..	..	1	..	1	..	2	3	..	..	..	1	2	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	49
Perth and Kinross C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	21
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
TOTAL	2	15	..	..	..	19	..	4	..	..	1	..	1	..	2	5	1	..	..	1	13	..	9	1	..	..	..	..	80

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	17
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	..	..	..	..	8	..	3	5	..	..	..	..	15
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kirkcaldy B.	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	5
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	10
Edinburgh B.	1	..	..	..	..	26	..	3	..	..	..	35	..	..	5	3	..	..	..	..	14	..	23	1	..	..	..	..	49
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	6
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	10
TOTAL	2	3	..	..	..	26	..	7	..	..	..	35	..	..	6	13	1	..	..	..	47	..	46	7	..	..	..	..	116
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Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	..	..	..	..	6	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Lanark C.	..	7	..	..	..	18	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	18	..	..	..	..	11	..	13	1	..	..	2	..	25
Airdrie B.	1	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	5
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Glasgow B.	8	186	..	1	5	94	..	2	..	..	3	10	3	..	2	109	..	3	3	..	39	..	53	2	1	..	1	..	72
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	6
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	2
Greenock B.	..	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	16	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Paisley B.	..	18	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	7
Port-Glasgow B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
TOTAL	11	232	..	2	5	135	..	7	..	..	3	30	3	..	2	201	9	4	3	..	90	..	102	6	1	..	3	..	140
GRAND TOTAL	17	250	..	2	5	184	..	22	..	..	4	65	4	..	11	251	14	4	3	1	187	..	174	18	1	..	3	..	354

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 7

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 20, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 16, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 16th Feb. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	457	144	354	39	18	333	16.0	7	14	..	28	2	4	4	2	11	11	13	25	47	38	13	193	46	28	36.7	0.70	4.8	5,526
2. Edinburgh	470,500	152	59	154	20	6	140	15.5	6	5	..	6	2	1	..	..	3	3	4	6	24	21	5	94	46	31	37.4	0.37	12.1	1,589
3. Aberdeen	185,500	51	31	57	19	1	39	11.0	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	4	4	5	1	29	46	30	37.4	0.67	12.1	769
4. Dundee	177,500	67	24	57	11	2	48	14.1	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	2	5	3	8	6	3	35	48	30	37.6	0.68	13.8	892
5. Paisley	94,500	28	8	27	6	3	24	13.2	2	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	1	4	16	48	29	38.7	0.66	4.4	492
6. Greenock	77,300	30	17	22	5	1	18	12.1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	5	1	..	12	51	28	39.3	1.15	6.5	546
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	27	10	12	4	5	13	9.7	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	543
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	18	5	10	1	2	11	11.4	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	1	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	306
9. Coatbridge	49,300	19	4	11	1	3	13	13.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	1	2	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	304
10. Dunfermline	45,300	18	4	6	6	4	4	4.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	47	28	37.9	0.54	7.7	311
11. Clydebank	46,400	23	8	7	..	3	10	11.2	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	313
12. Ayr	42,400	12	5	17	2	1	16	19.7	1	2	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	3	1	9	..	..	..	..	..	383
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	12	1	16	5	4	15	18.3	2	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	9	48	27	38.8	0.68	14.5	234
14. Perth	40,800	13	4	13	7	4	10	12.8	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	1	7	47	27	36.9	0.53	13.4	195
15. Hamilton	40,600	18	7	9	2	4	11	14.1	1	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	2	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	523
16. Falkirk	37,400	9	1	12	7	..	5	7.0	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	301
17. Airdrie	31,700	9	6	5	..	..	5	8.2	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	1	1	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	176
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Feb. 20, 1954.	2,586,800	963	338	789	135	61	715	14.4	30	28	..	48	7	8	4	2	19	19	29	50	108	85	29	440	51†	27†	37.9‡	0.66‡	9.9‡	
Feb. 13, 1954.	2,586,800	899	342	793	103	57	747	15.1	23	14	4	37	5	6	4	7	22	22	30	40	95	106	19	448	42†	17†	34.4‡	1.36‡	15.7‡	
Feb. 21, 1953.	2,588,300‖	925	675	869	124	63	808	16.3	23	15	3	36	5	9	1	27	34	34	40	65	102	87	32	487	58†	30†	45.5‡	0.33‡	12.3‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 8

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 27th February 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 27th February 1954, the births of 949 living children, and of 25 still-born children, 548 marriages and 728 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.1 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 11.0 and the death-rate 14.7. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 26 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.3 less than in the previous week, but 0.3 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 4.2 more than in the previous week, and 2.4 above the average. The death-rate is 0.3 more than in the previous week, but 0.9 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 19.7 in Ayr and 18.2 in Paisley to 8.4 in Falkirk and 7.3 in Kilmarnock. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Kirkcaldy 17.7 and in Edinburgh 17.3. In Glasgow the rate was 14.3.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 3 and are 1 more than in the previous week. They include 2 from meningococcal infections, and 1 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 27, of which 26 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 8 more than in the previous week, and the latter 7 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 68, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.4 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week, and 0.5 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 34, being 14 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 23 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 444, and are 4 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 27, and are 2 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 23rd February 1954, was 18,539. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 38.9° being 1.0° above that for the previous week, but 0.2° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.96 inch, and the mean sunshine 17.8 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 8 **Week ended SATURDAY, February 27th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever (Undulant).	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	19	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	6
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	6	..	..	..	5	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	19
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	4	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	21	6	..	..	..	12	..	10	1	..	..	..	..	19
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dundee B.	5	34	..	..	..	30	..	3	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	24
Perth and Kinross C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	8
TOTAL	6	34	..	..	..	30	..	3	..	..	..	1	1	..	.	8	2	..	..	..	13	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	50

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	10
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	7	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	5
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Edinburgh B.	2	..	..	..	..	24	..	1	..	..	..	25	..	..	1	14	..	..	..	3	11	..	20	..	..	..	..	..	31
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	6
TOTAL	2	..	..	..	..	29	1	2	..	..	..	25	1	..	3	24	2	..	..	4	36	..	32	3	..	..	..	..	81
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	1	..	..	..	1	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	5
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Lanark C.	..	4	..	..	..	25	..	2	..	..	..	3	1	..	1	10	..	..	1	..	13	..	11	5	..	..	..	..	26
Airdrie B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Glasgow B.	3	214	..	4	4	103	..	14	..	..	..	15	3	..	2	117	..	1	6	8	33	..	30	6	..	..	1	..	85
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	3
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	5	..	..	..	2	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	6	1	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	11
Greenock B.	..	11	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	22	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Paisley B.	..	7	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	8
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	2
Falkirk B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
TOTAL	7	237	..	4	6	155	1	23	..	..	1	40	5	..	5	185	13	1	7	8	91	..	74	17	..	..	1	..	171
GRAND TOTAL	15	272	..	4	6	222	2	29	..	..	1	66	7	..	8	241	23	1	7	12	171	..	123	22	..	..	1	..	327

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 8

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 27, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 23, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 23rd Feb. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	402	234	319	37	16	298	14.3	10	11	2	17	3	3	..	3	15	15	14	18	42	29	12	163	52	24	37.9	1.13	17.0	5,359
2. Edinburgh	470,500	140	81	174	20	2	156	17.3	2	7	..	8	2	2	..	..	2	2	4	11	20	25	4	101	51	28	39.2	0.63	17.7	1,528
3. Aberdeen	185,500	68	39	52	13	1	40	11.2	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	8	8	..	29	47	27	37.9	0.52	22.5	772
4. Dundee	177,500	60	30	44	3	5	46	13.5	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	1	12	5	3	33	50	28	38.6	0.16	14.6	792
5. Paisley	94,500	36	29	35	4	2	33	18.2	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	4	4	5	3	20	53	27	40.5	1.66	16.2	520
6. Greenock	77,300	29	30	28	4	..	24	16.2	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	2	1	2	6	1	..	14	53	28	39.0	2.23	18.5	477
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	30	13	20	2	3	21	15.7	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	1	..	1	..	2	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	547
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	23	7	15	3	5	17	17.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	246
9. Coatbridge	49,300	25	15	6	..	3	9	9.5	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	1	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	287
10. Dunfermline	45,300	8	3	13	3	1	11	12.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	1	7	52	27	38.6	0.52	14.7	319
11. Clydebank	46,400	16	6	5	3	7	9	10.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	2	..	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	292
12. Ayr	42,400	15	13	19	5	2	16	19.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	4	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	347
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	22	9	9	5	2	6	7.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	4	54	25	39.4	1.14	20.5	241
14. Perth	40,800	22	7	17	6	2	13	16.6	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	2	8	51	24	38.8	0.65	18.6	194
15. Hamilton	40,600	35	14	6	..	7	13	16.7	..	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	3	1	9	..	..	..	..	..	513
16. Falkirk	37,400	7	9	10	6	2	6	8.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	280
17. Airdrie	31,700	11	9	5	..	5	10	16.4	1	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	170
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Feb. 27, 1954.	2,586,800	949	548	777	114	65	728	14.7	25	23	3	34	6	8	..	3	27	26	24	44	109	94	27	444	54†	24†	38.9‡	0.96‡	17.8‡	
Feb. 20, 1954.	2,586,800	963	338	789	135	61	715	14.4	30	28	..	48	7	8	4	2	19	19	29	50	108	85	29	440	51†	27†	37.9‡	0.66‡	9.9‡	
Feb. 28, 1953.	2,588,300‖	914	351	799	110	65	754	15.2	21	24	1	47	8	10	1	22	15	10	45	43	113	77	42	464	60†	33†	48.2‡	0.33‡	22.0‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952 § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 9

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 6th March 1954

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 6th March 1954, the births of 904 living children, and of 26 still-born children, 854 marriages and 707 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.2 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 17.2 and the death-rate 14.3. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 28 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.9 less than in the previous week, and 0.2 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 6.2 more than in the previous week, and 5.9 above the average. The death-rate is 0.4 less than in the previous week, and 0.6 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 19.3 in Hamilton and 18.7 in Kirkcaldy to 6.4 in Perth and 6.3 in Coatbridge. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Ayr 18.4 and in Greenock 18.2. In Glasgow the rate was 14.1 and in Edinburgh 15.2.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 3 and are the same as in the previous week. They include 1 from whooping cough and 2 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 19, of which 18 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 8 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 8 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 63, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.3 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.6 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 28, being 6 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 17 were aged 0-6 days and 4 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 429, and are 15 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 18, and are 9 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 2nd March 1954, was 17,665. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 33.9° being 5.0° below that for the previous week, and 6.3° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.04 inches, and the mean sunshine 19.0 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 9 **Week ended SATURDAY, March 6th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever (Undulant).	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	9	..	5	2	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	12	..	9	2	..	..	..	..	3
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	4	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25
Aberdeen B.	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	22	4	..	..	..	14	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	25
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	16
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dundee B.	2	35	..	..	..	16	..	2	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	2	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	40
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	15
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
TOTAL	2	35	..	..	..	17	..	2	..	..	..	1	1	..	.	8	..	2	..	..	9	..	11	2	..	..	..	..	77

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Fife C.	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	11	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	15
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	8
Edinburgh B.	1	..	..	..	..	35	..	4	..	..	..	36	..	..	1	9	..	..	..	..	8	..	22	1	..	..	..	..	56
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	4
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	9
TOTAL	4	3	..	..	..	38	..	6	..	..	..	36	..	..	2	21	..	..	..	..	32	..	35	3	..	..	..	..	109
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	3	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	7
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	6
Lanark C.	..	20	..	..	1	29	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	..	..	1	..	9	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	25
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Glasgow B.	9	207	..	6	3	179	..	7	..	..	..	21	..	..	2	123	..	2	5	5	46	..	45	4	..	..	..	..	89
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	2	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	..	..	..	6	..	5	3	..	..	..	..	9
Greenock B.	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	2	..	1	..	..	2
Paisley B.	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	8	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Falkirk B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
TOTAL	10	248	..	6	7	216	..	10	2	..	..	45	..	..	4	193	8	2	6	6	114	..	90	15	..	1	..	..	171
GRAND TOTAL	17	286	..	6	7	276	..	21	2	..	..	82	2	..	7	247	12	4	6	6	181	..	150	23	..	1	..	..	385

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 9

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED MARCH 6, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED MARCH 2, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 2nd Mar. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	399	418	322	34	6	294	14.1	14	6	1	9	2	3	..	1	11	10	9	21	45	35	3	163	45	21	32.9	0.94	16.8	4,879
2. Edinburgh	470,500	125	108	154	25	8	137	15.2	2	2	1	4	1	2	1	2	4	4	5	3	24	23	6	90	45	22	32.9	0.74	17.1	1,461
3. Aberdeen	185,500	63	44	52	10	1	43	12.1	2	1	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	6	2	3	30	40	23	32.4	0.95	24.8	775
4. Dundee	177,500	71	53	46	3	3	46	13.5	1	1	1	3	..	2	..	..	1	1	5	1	8	2	2	31	48	26	34.8	1.39	20.4	797
5. Paisley	94,500	30	31	28	5	4	27	14.9	2	3	..	3	1	1	..	..	1	1	2	..	3	6	..	14	46	24	35.7	1.01	17.4	483
6. Greenock	77,300	31	23	28	3	2	27	18.2	1	3	..	3	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	..	18	45	25	35.2	1.45	18.7	453
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	18	20	19	2	3	20	15.0	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	3	1	2	2	10	..	..	..	..	..	503
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	19	16	19	3	2	18	18.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	4	1	11	..	..	..	..	..	245
9. Coatbridge	49,300	23	23	3	..	3	6	6.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	313
10. Dunfermline	45,300	15	13	11	3	3	11	12.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	3	..	6	46	21	34.1	1.01	18.1	261
11. Clydebank	46,400	23	20	9	..	3	12	13.5	1	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	328
12. Ayr	42,400	11	14	16	3	2	15	18.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	2	2	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	380
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	18	15	15	6	3	12	14.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	..	9	46	21	33.8	0.66	20.3	254
14. Perth	40,800	14	7	7	2	..	5	6.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	43	20	33.7	1.20	17.2	237
15. Hamilton	40,600	23	15	10	..	5	15	19.3	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	2	3	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	454
16. Falkirk	37,400	7	19	15	3	..	12	16.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	267
17. Airdrie	31,700	14	15	3	..	4	7	11.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	191
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Mar. 6, 1954.	2,586,800	904	854	757	102	52	707	14.3	26	17	4	28	5	11	1	3	19	18	28	35	101	93	18	429	48†	20†	33.9‡	1.04‡	19.0‡	
Feb. 27, 1954.	2,586,800	949	548	777	114	65	728	14.7	25	23	3	34	6	8	..	3	27	26	24	44	109	94	27	444	54†	24†	38.9‡	0.96‡	17.8‡	
Mar. 7, 1953.	2,588,300	864	526	758	83	46	721	14.5	27	9	..	24	3	6	4	14	19	16	28	58	109	91	27	435	57†	24†	42.0‡	0.02‡	33.4‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 10

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 13th March 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 13th March 1954, the births of 958 living children, and of 29 still-born children, 690 marriages and 716 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.3 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 13.9 and the death-rate 14.4. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 29 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.1 more than in the previous week, and 0.7 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 3.3 less than in the previous week, but 3.6 above the average. The death-rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 16.9 in Greenock and 16.7 in Falkirk to 10.4 in Kirkcaldy and 7.7 in Perth and Hamilton. Relatively high death-rates occured in Aberdeen 15.5 and in Edinburgh 15.4. In Glasgow the rate was 14.9.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 5 and are 2 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from whooping cough, 2 from meningococcal infections, and 2 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 22, all of which were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 3 more than in the previous week, and the latter 4 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 66, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.3 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, but 0.5 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 39, being 11 more than in the previous week. Of these, 18 were aged 0-6 days and 5 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 454, and are 25 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 22, and are 4 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 9th March 1954. was 19,244. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 41.3° being 7.4° above that for the previous week, and 1.7° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.24 inch, and the mean sunshine 22.8 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 10 **Week ended SATURDAY, March 13th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever (Undulant).	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	9	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	2	..	..	..	10	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	27
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Orkney C.	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	2	2	..	..	..	8	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	27	2	..	..	..	19	..	5	3	..	..	..	..	33
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	5
Arbroath B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	22	..	..	2	21	..	1	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	31
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
TOTAL	1	23	..	..	4	21	..	2	..	..	..	1	2	..	.	13	2	..	..	..	10	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	45

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	7	..	2	..	..	..	..	14
Fife C.	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	1	..	10	..	8	..	..	..	..	17
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	4
Kirkcaldy B.	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	4	1	..	..	..	4
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	2	..	..	..	34	..	..	2	16	..	..	..	2	11	..	15	4	..	..	..	41
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	5
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	10
TOTAL	3	8	..	..	1	12	..	4	6	..	..	34	..	..	2	27	..	..	1	3	39	..	34	7	..	..	..	102
WESTERN REGION.—																												
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3
Ayr C.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	2	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	3	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	4
Lanark C.	1	2	..	..	..	31	..	5	..	..	..	16	..	..	1	13	..	1	..	..	8	..	6	3	..	..	..	20
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	3	..	..	..	..	2
Glasgow B.	9	331	..	2	7	156	..	6	..	..	1	10	..	..	1	90	..	1	7	3	44	..	43	4	..	..	..	133
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	6	..	3	..	..	..	..	7
Greenock B.	..	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	26	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	1
Paisley B.	..	17	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	4
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	15	372	..	2	7	195	..	15	1	..	1	52	1	..	9	151	15	5	7	4	101	..	79	15	..	..	..	203
GRAND TOTAL	21	405	..	2	12	236	..	28	7	..	1	87	3	..	12	223	19	5	8	7	178	..	130	26	..	..	..	383

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RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED MARCH 13, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED MARCH 9, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 9th Mar. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	422	288	344	44	10	310	14.9	11	6	4	18	3	6	..	1	13	13	14	23	40	34	10	193	56	30	41.3	0.27	29.8	5,272
2. Edinburgh	470,500	147	120	159	24	4	139	15.4	6	2	..	3	..	..	..	1	5	5	6	4	27	17	3	108	51	34	40.9	0.18	26.8	1,544
3. Aberdeen	185,500	62	60	63	10	2	55	15.5	2	1	1	5	..	..	..	..	2	2	3	2	12	10	3	29	44	28	38.6	0.03	11.9	800
4. Dundee	177,500	65	54	52	4	2	50	14.7	3	1	..	3	1	..	..	..	1	1	3	4	12	6	3	30	48	31	40.1	0.05	14.8	934
5. Paisley	94,500	30	26	28	6	..	22	12.1	3	2	..	2	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	13	57	31	42.8	0.37	20.3	476
6. Greenock	77,300	35	13	28	5	2	25	16.9	1	1	..	2	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	2	6	2	..	14	56	33	42.4	0.47	23.9	411
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	27	22	15	4	7	18	13.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	3	2	1	12	..	..	..	..	..	604
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	24	11	14	5	1	10	10.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	2	5	..	..	..	..	..	284
9. Coatbridge	49,300	15	12	8	..	5	13	13.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	3	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	335
10. Dunfermline	45,300	22	11	16	5	1	12	13.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	..	7	53	32	41.4	0.26	25.8	307
11. Clydebank	46,400	20	6	6	2	6	10	11.2	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	331
12. Ayr	42,400	17	18	14	6	4	12	14.7	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	421
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	18	10	12	5	2	9	11.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	4	60	29	44.0	0.29	37.3	275
14. Perth	40,800	14	14	6	2	2	6	7.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	6	47	27	39.9	0.21	14.5	206
15. Hamilton	40,600	17	5	3	..	3	6	7.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	600
16. Falkirk	37,400	10	13	15	5	2	12	16.7	..	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	281
17. Airdrie	31,700	13	7	6	..	1	7	11.5	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	192
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Mar. 13, 1954	2,586,800	958	690	789	127	54	716	14.4	29	18	5	39	5	9	..	5	22	22	28	38	112	90	22	454	60†	27†	41.3‡	0.24‡	22.8‡	
Mar. 6, 1954.	2,586,800	904	854	757	102	52	707	14.3	26	17	4	28	5	11	1	3	19	18	28	35	101	93	18	429	48†	20†	33.9‡	1.04‡	19.0‡	
Mar. 14, 1953.	2,588,300	891	718	731	96	52	687	13.8	27	18	5	34	5	5	1	10	18	15	31	47	117	58	24	440	59†	29†	44.6‡	0.00‡	13.2‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952 § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 11

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 20th March 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 20th March 1954, the births of 1,059 living children, and of 29 still-born children, 615 marriages and 664 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 21.3 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 12.4 and the death-rate 13.4. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 27 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 2.0 more than in the previous week, and 2.7 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.5 less than in the previous week, but 0.9 above the average. The death-rate is 1.0 less than in the previous week, and 0.8 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 19.7 in Ayr and 16.1 in Dunfermline to 6.7 in Motherwell and Wishaw and 6.3 in Coatbridge. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Kilmarnock 15.9 and in Paisley 15.5. In Glasgow the rate was 13.5 and in Edinburgh 14.4.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 6 and are 1 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from whooping cough, 2 from meningococcal infections, and 3 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 18, of which 17 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 4 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 5 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 62, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.2 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.3 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 39, being the same as in the previous week. Of these, 15 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 410, and are 44 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 29, and are 7 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 16th March 1954, was 17,679. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 38.6° being 2.7° below that for the previous week, and 2.4° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.15 inch, and the mean sunshine 6.6 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 11 **Week ended SATURDAY, March 20th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever (Undulant).	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	10	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	2
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	2	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	25
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	6	..	11	2	..	..	..	..	2
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	3
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	10	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	12	2	..	..	..	16	..	17	4	..	..	..	..	30
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	23
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	49	..	..	1	29	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	9	..	..	..	..	1	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	69
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	10
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
TOTAL	1	49	..	..	1	29	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	11	..	..	..	..	6	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	103

Berwick C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	15
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	1	8	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	24
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Kirkcaldy B.	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Midlothian C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	10
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	35	..	1	..	..	..	34	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	12	..	19	..	..	..	..	..	49
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	14
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	4	3	..	..	..	..	8
TOTAL	1	11	..	..	..	39	..	3	2	..	..	35	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	4	35	..	35	4	..	..	..	..	131
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	3	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	3
Ayr B.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	2
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	2
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	2	18	..	..	..	34	..	..	..	..	..	18	..	..	1	14	..	..	1	..	11	..	14	1	..	..	..	..	19
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	4	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Glasgow B.	4	300	..	5	4	137	..	7	..	..	1	16	3	..	2	120	..	1	6	1	28	..	54	7	..	..	..	..	97
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	1	..	16	2	..	..	..	..	7
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	5	1	..	..	..	5	..	12	2	..	..	..	..	5
Greenock B.	..	15	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	37	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	4
Paisley B.	..	23	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	5
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	8	356	..	5	4	190	..	15	1	..	1	72	3	..	7	174	10	2	7	1	77	..	121	16	..	..	..	..	160
GRAND TOTAL	11	416	..	5	5	276	..	23	3	..	1	107	4	..	9	211	12	2	7	5	144	..	192	24	..	..	..	..	426

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RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED MARCH 20, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED MARCH 16, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 16th Mar. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	482	272	292	30	18	280	13.5	6	8	..	19	2	3	..	3	8	7	7	16	50	34	13	167	48	31	37.6	0.17	8.5	4,879
2. Edinburgh	470,500	166	110	149	25	6	130	14.4	5	3	1	6	..	2	..	1	4	4	12	4	17	16	5	92	48	29	37.4	0.04	2.5	1,464
3. Aberdeen	185,500	65	42	55	11	6	50	14.1	3	1	1	2	..	..	..	..	2	2	4	2	8	6	3	27	46	33	38.0	0.07	4.3	697
4. Dundee	177,500	76	44	54	11	6	49	14.4	3	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	2	3	1	11	6	2	33	46	35	38.4	0.09	0.2	857
5. Paisley	94,500	31	16	33	10	5	28	15.5	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	6	6	2	15	50	31	39.4	0.23	6.1	446
6. Greenock	77,300	38	19	18	2	2	18	12.1	2	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	4	..	11	49	35	39.0	0.33	6.6	461
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	20	10	9	2	2	9	6.7	2	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	510
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	17	16	9	1	4	12	12.5	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	240
9. Coatbridge	49,300	26	7	4	1	3	6	6.3	1	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	298
10. Dunfermline	45,300	21	11	15	2	1	14	16.1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	2	2	1	11	49	35	38.9	0.02	2.7	293
11. Clydebank	46,400	25	8	12	4	2	10	11.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	3	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	259
12. Ayr	42,400	18	14	11	..	5	16	19.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	2	2	1	12	..	..	..	..	..	504
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	13	13	13	2	2	13	15.9	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	4	2	..	7	51	29	40.3	0.27	28.1	250
14. Perth	40,800	12	7	9	2	..	7	8.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	3	50	34	38.6	0.15	..	195
15. Hamilton	40,600	16	13	4	..	3	7	9.0	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	528
16. Falkirk	37,400	17	6	11	4	2	9	12.6	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	256
17. Airdrie	31,700	16	7	5	..	1	6	9.9	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	170
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Mar. 20, 1954.	2,586,800	1059	615	703	107	68	664	13.4	29	15	3	39	3	7	1	6	18	17	32	30	107	92	29	410	51†	29†	38.6‡	0.15‡	6.6‡	
Mar. 13, 1954.	2,586,800	958	690	789	127	54	716	14.4	29	18	5	39	5	9	..	5	22	22	28	38	112	90	22	454	60†	27†	41.3‡	0.24‡	22.8‡	
Mar. 21, 1953.	2,588,300‖	913	682	698	102	48	644	13.0	18	12	1	20	3	2	2	15	17	15	25	35	101	77	32	414	59†	24†	40.1‡	0.00‡	32.6‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 12

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 27th March 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 27th March 1954, the births of 931 living children, and of 21 still-born children, 1,111 marriages and 646 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.8 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 22.4 and the death-rate 13.0. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 22 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 2.5 less than in the previous week, and 0.3 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 10.0 more than in the previous week, and 5.1 above the average. The death-rate is 0.4 less than in the previous week, and 0.7 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 19.7 in Ayr and 18.1 in Airdrie to 7.3 in Kirkcaldy and 5.8 in Dunfermline. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Kilmarnock 15.9 and in Dundee 15.3. In Glasgow the rate was 13.3 and in Edinburgh 12.5.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1 and are 5 fewer than in the previous week. The death registered was from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 19, of which 16 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 more than in the previous week, but the latter 1 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 62, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.2 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, but 0.2 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 30, being 9 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 12 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 392, and are 18 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 21, and are 8 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 23rd March 1954, was 17,565. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 44.6° being 6.0° above that for the previous week, and 3.8° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.52 inch, and the mean sunshine 12.2 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 12 **Week ended SATURDAY, March 27th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever (Undulant).	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	9	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	4
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	3	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	1	..	..	1	7	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	6
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	79
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	2	24	..	..	4	35	..	2	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	2	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	57
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	5
TOTAL	2	24	..	..	4	35	..	2	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	11	..	1	..	..	12	..	13	2	..	..	..	..	147

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	12
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	7	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	34
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Kirkcaldy B.	..	22	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	10
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	35	..	2	..	..	..	78	1	..	3	15	..	..	..	9	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	47
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
TOTAL	..	22	..	..	..	40	..	6	1	..	..	81	2	..	5	29	..	..	..	36	..	27	..	..	..	..	..	136
WESTERN REGION.—																												
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	1	..	..	6	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Lanark C.	2	15	..	..	1	94	..	2	..	..	..	13	5	..	1	13	..	..	..	19	..	11	3	..	..	..	..	17
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	10
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Glasgow B.	11	375	..	4	4	173	..	6	..	..	..	15	2	..	1	89	..	3	3	..	24	..	49	10	..	..	..	106
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2	..	..	10	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	10
Greenock B.	..	29	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	60	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	6	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	4
Paisley B.	..	27	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	5	1	..	..	8	..	..	..	7	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	10
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	3	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
TOTAL	15	446	..	4	5	281	..	12	1	..	..	93	8	..	3	157	10	3	3	..	102	..	99	17	..	..	..	..	177
GRAND TOTAL	17	495	..	4	9	366	..	20	2	..	..	176	11	..	8	214	11	4	3	1	166	..	147	21	..	..	..	..	466

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

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RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED MARCH 23, 1954

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1. Glasgow .	1,085,000	420	399	303	38	12	277	13.3	11	5	1	14	1	5	2	..	12	10	14	20	48	27	10	149	53	35	43.9	0.58	7.7	4,904
2. Edinburgh	470,500	145	220	124	12	1	113	12.5	3	..	1	3	..	2	..	1	1	1	7	5	17	14	3	80	54	35	44.2	0.16	14.3	1,392
3. Aberdeen .	185,500	64	91	67	18	1	50	14.1	..	3	1	5	..	..	..	..	3	3	..	2	5	13	3	28	51	31	43.2	0.40	17.0	676
4. Dundee .	177,500	64	94	55	10	7	52	15.3	2	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	2	13	5	2	40	52	35	43.9	0.36	14.7	792
5. Paisley .	94,500	33	51	19	3	2	18	9.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	11	53	39	46.4	0.59	9.6	440
6. Greenock .	77,300	32	26	21	8	3	16	10.8	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	2	..	1	3	1	..	10	54	39	45.4	1.19	10.9	421
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	28	28	20	5	2	17	12.7	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	543
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	20	28	8	2	1	7	7.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	245
9. Coatbridge	49,300	22	12	10	1	2	11	11.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	265
10. Dunfermline	45,300	15	22	10	5	..	5	5.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	53	33	44.3	0.29	12.4	281
11. Clydebank	46,400	22	8	7	2	6	11	12.3	..	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	326
12. Ayr . .	42,400	13	36	20	6	2	16	19.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	2	2	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	476
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	16	38	12	..	1	13	15.9	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	1	8	53	34	44.8	0.73	10.2	249
14. Perth .	40,800	9	15	9	1	1	9	11.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	8	54	33	45.7	0.34	12.9	196
15. Hamilton .	40,600	12	12	2	..	9	11	14.1	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	521
16. Falkirk .	37,400	6	21	13	5	1	9	12.6	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	260
17. Airdrie .	31,700	10	10	6	1	6	11	18.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	185
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Mar. 27, 1954.	2,586,800	931	1111	706	117	57	646	13.0	21	12	3	30	1	10	2	1	19	16	27	35	104	81	21	392	54†	31†	44.6‡	0.52‡	12.2‡	
Mar. 20, 1954.	2,586,800	1059	615	703	107	68	664	13.4	29	15	3	39	3	7	1	6	18	17	32	30	107	92	29	410	51†	29†	38.6‡	0.15‡	6.6‡	
Mar. 28, 1953.	2,588,300	990	1139	694	103	60	651	13.1	26	11	4	30	5	5	3	8	18	16	28	33	102	77	29	421	68†	25†	45.0‡	0.37‡	32.0‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952. § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 13

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 3rd April 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 3rd April 1954, the births of 982 living children, and of 26 still-born children, 1,648 marriages and 657 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.8 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 33.2 and the death-rate 13.2. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 26 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.0 more than in the previous week, and 0.3 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 10.8 more than in the previous week, and 5.8 above the average. The death-rate is 0.2 more than in the previous week, and 0.2 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 23.3 in Ayr and 19.8 in Kirkcaldy to 9.8 in Kilmarnock and 8.2 in Airdrie. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Hamilton 16.7 and in Greenock 15.5. In Glasgow the rate was 12.9 and in Edinburgh 15.0.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1 and are the same as in the previous week. The death registered was from whooping cough.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 8, of which 6 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 11 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 10 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 64, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.3 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 26, being 4 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 15 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 414, and are 22 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 25, and are 4 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 30th March 1954, was 17,576. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 45.3° being 0.7° above that for the previous week, and 3.0° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.16 inches and the mean sunshine 28.6 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 13 **Week ended SATURDAY, April 3rd, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	1	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	1	..	..
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	4	..	..	..	4	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	22
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	5	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	4	..	..	2	12	..	9	1	..	..	..	..	26
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	35
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	31	..	..	3	35	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	3	..	17	1	..	..	..	..	66
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	11
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
TOTAL	1	31	..	..	3	36	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	13	1	..	..	..	17	..	21	4	..	..	..	..	114

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	1	5	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	27
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kirkcaldy B.	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	10	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	9
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	42	..	1	..	..	..	82	..	..	1	18	..	1	..	12	..	16	3	..	..	..	..	29
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	4	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	11
TOTAL	..	15	..	..	..	45	..	6	6	..	..	92	..	..	3	33	..	1	..	2	32	..	37	8	..	..	..	..	92
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	..	5	..	5	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	7
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	11
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Lanark C.	..	45	..	..	1	89	..	2	..	..	..	5	1	..	..	18	..	..	..	..	5	..	12	..	..	..	..	11
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	16
Glasgow B.	12	327	..	..	7	235	..	8	..	..	..	10	2	..	1	116	..	1	4	9	36	..	35	3	4	..	..	100
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	1	..	..	..	6	..	3	2	..	..	..	8
Greenock B.	..	24	..	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	51	..	..	1	1	8	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..
Paisley B.	..	27	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	1	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	8
Port-Glasgow B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	16	424	..	1	8	356	..	10	1	..	..	69	3	..	3	185	15	1	4	12	89	..	75	5	4	..	..	..	168
GRAND TOTAL	17	470	..	1	11	438	..	21	7	..	..	161	5	..	9	241	21	2	4	16	153	..	144	19	4	..	1	..	400

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 13

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED APRIL 3, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED MARCH 30, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 30th Mar. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	416	692	301	41	9	269	12.9	11	9	2	16	3	2	..	..	2	1	10	14	50	28	14	156	56	32	45.1	1.27	24.7	4,860
2. Edinburgh	470,500	154	314	141	13	7	135	15.0	3	3	1	4	..	1	..	..	2	2	8	6	24	27	..	97	58	33	45.6	0.41	25.3	1,409
3. Aberdeen	185,500	78	132	55	14	4	45	12.6	1	1	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	1	9	7	1	34	56	30	44.3	0.96	26.4	694
4. Dundee	177,500	74	109	50	12	2	40	11.7	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	1	9	6	3	27	55	33	44.1	0.78	29.7	736
5. Paisley	94,500	30	62	26	8	..	18	9.9	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	4	..	12	56	33	46.6	1.46	28.8	541
6. Greenock	77,300	39	36	24	3	2	23	15.5	3	1	..	2	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	5	1	1	12	55	35	45.7	2.61	30.3	488
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	28	43	16	2	3	17	12.7	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	4	1	10	..	..	..	..	..	488
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	18	35	16	1	4	19	19.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	1	3	9	..	..	..	..	..	236
9. Coatbridge	49,300	20	24	6	..	4	10	10.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	310
10. Dunfermline	45,300	14	21	15	5	..	10	11.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	1	7	58	31	45.6	0.94	26.2	286
11. Clydebank	46,400	22	18	6	1	5	10	11.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	267
12. Ayr	42,400	19	22	20	3	2	19	23.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	1	3	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	501
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	18	33	10	3	1	8	9.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	3	56	31	45.4	1.14	34.3	228
14. Perth	40,800	16	15	9	2	1	8	10.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	6	57	28	44.9	0.91	31.9	169
15. Hamilton	40,600	13	27	11	1	3	13	16.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	2	1	2	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	429
16. Falkirk	37,400	13	36	11	4	1	8	11.2	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	259
17. Airdrie	31,700	10	29	4	..	1	5	8.2	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	159
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Apr. 3, 1954.	2,586,800	982	1648	721	113	49	657	13.2	26	15	3	26	5	6	..	1	8	6	25	39	115	91	25	414	58†	28†	45.3‡	1.16‡	28.6‡	
Mar. 27, 1954.	2,586,800	931	1111	706	117	57	646	13.0	21	12	3	30	1	10	2	1	19	16	27	35	104	81	21	392	54†	31†	44.6‡	0.52‡	12.2‡	
Apr. 4, 1953.	2,588,300	925	1496	636	81	44	599	12.1	21	9	4	26	2	6	1	7	15	15	25	40	101	71	17	372	50†	26†	41.1‡	0.72‡	38.1‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 14

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 10th April 1954

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 10th April 1954, the births of 930 living children, and of 23 still-born children, 989 marriages and 625 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.7 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 19.9 and the death-rate 12.6. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 24 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.9 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 13.3 less than in the previous week, and 4.2 below the average. The death-rate is 0.6 less than in the previous week, and 0.1 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 18.0 in Coatbridge and 15.6 in Dundee to 9.4 in Kirkcaldy and 7.7 in Hamilton. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dunfermline 15.0 and in Edinburgh 14.9. In Glasgow the rate was 11.0.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2 and are 1 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from whooping cough and 1 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 15, of which 12 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 7 more than in the previous week, and the latter 6 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 51, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.0 per thousand. This death rate is 0.3 less than in the previous week, and 0.2 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 29, being 3 more than in the previous week. Of these, 16 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 388, and are 26 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 25, and are the same as in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 6th April 1954, was 17,112. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 44.7° being 0.6° below that for the previous week, but 1.6° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.13 inch. and the mean sunshine 43.2 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 14 **Week ended SATURDAY, April 10th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	2
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	19
Aberdeen B.	..	2	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	1	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	2	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	16	2	..	..	1	7	..	5	7	..	..	..	..	21
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	26	..	..	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	1	9	..	..	1	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	54
Perth and Kinross C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
TOTAL	2	26	..	..	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	1	9	..	..	1	..	6	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	74

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	12
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	5	..	..	..	..	7	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	20
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.	..	24	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	17	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	9	1	..	..	..	..	1
Edinburgh B.	1	..	..	..	..	22	..	1	..	..	..	68	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	1	20	..	13	..	..	..	1	..	40
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	10
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
TOTAL	1	24	..	..	..	29	..	3	1	..	..	85	1	..	2	17	..	..	..	1	44	..	28	3	..	..	1	..	100
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	7	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	9
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	12
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
Lanark C.	..	21	..	..	1	100	..	..	..	..	..	4	3	..	..	16	..	..	..	1	8	..	7	2	..	..	..	..	35
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	6
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4
Glasgow B.	9	329	..	3	2	211	..	6	..	..	..	16	1	..	..	100	..	..	3	2	32	..	36	5	..	..	3	..	107
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	10
Greenock B.	..	21	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	60	..	..	..	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	7
Paisley B.	..	23	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	21
TOTAL	9	396	..	3	3	349	..	11	..	..	1	89	4	..	1	168	13	..	3	4	97	..	68	9	..	..	3	..	235
GRAND TOTAL	12	448	..	3	3	399	..	15	1	..	1	175	7	..	6	214	15	..	4	6	157	..	110	20	..	..	4	..	432

NOTE. * **Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland**

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED APRIL 10, 1954

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED APRIL 6, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 6th Apr. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	415	482	250	26	5	229	11.0	14	4	1	10	2	4	..	1	6	5	4	8	32	33	14	136	57	33	44.5	0.17	33.7	4,720
2. Edinburgh	470,500	141	174	139	13	8	134	14.9	3	1	..	3	1	1	1	..	2	2	10	7	16	22	1	93	56	34	44.5	0.05	40.5	1,409
3. Aberdeen	185,500	71	70	53	12	1	42	11.8	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	7	9	2	29	58	33	44.4	0.08	59.9	608
4. Dundee	177,500	70	85	56	5	2	53	15.6	..	6	1	8	1	2	..	..	..	..	3	1	7	9	1	36	58	34	44.8	..	42.5	705
5. Paisley	94,500	26	20	28	3	..	25	13.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	9	1	14	57	35	46.1	0.16	41.4	547
6. Greenock	77,300	34	6	27	5	..	22	14.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	3	1	..	14	56	35	45.4	0.34	47.4	725
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	18	14	17	2	4	19	14.2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	1	4	3	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	531
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	16	15	9	2	2	9	9.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	201
9. Coatbridge	49,300	17	8	12	1	6	17	18.0	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	1	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	268
10. Dunfermline	45,300	11	17	16	3	..	13	15.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	4	..	..	6	57	32	44.1	0.07	37.3	225
11. Clydebank	46,400	17	13	9	..	3	12	13.5	..	2	..	3	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	1	1	2	3	6	..	..	..	..	..	273
12. Ayr	42,400	15	12	13	2	..	11	13.5	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	2	5	..	..	..	..	..	381
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	13	12	13	4	1	10	12.2	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	2	..	6	56	31	43.9	0.29	43.0	259
14. Perth	40,800	20	25	10	4	2	8	10.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	4	59	31	44.4	0.04	43.4	157
15. Hamilton	40,600	19	8	7	1	..	6	7.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	456
16. Falkirk	37,400	12	19	7	..	2	9	12.6	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	255
17. Airdrie	31,700	15	9	3	1	4	6	9.9	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	165
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Apr. 10, 1954.	2,586,800	930	989	669	84	40	625	12.6	23	16	3	29	5	9	1	2	15	12	27	24	84	102	25	388	59†	31†	44.7‡	0.13‡	43.2‡	
Apr. 3, 1954.	2,586,800	982	1648	721	113	49	657	13.2	26	15	3	26	5	6	..	1	8	6	25	39	115	91	25	414	58†	28†	45.3‡	1.16‡	28.6‡	
Apr. 11, 1953.	2,588,300‖	1050	1049	718	90	53	681	13.7	24	14	4	30	5	6	3	5	30	26	28	29	114	93	22	401	53†	25†	40.8‡	0.57‡	20.0‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 15

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 17th April 1954

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000 there were registered during the week ended 17th April 1954, the births of 769 living children, and of 24 still-born children, 175 marriages and 535 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 15.5 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 3.5 and the death-rate 10.8. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 30 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 3.2 less than in the previous week, and 2.6 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 16.4 less than in the previous week, and 3.5 below the average. The death-rate is 1.8 less than in the previous week, and 2.0 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 16.4 in Airdrie and 13.5 in Motherwell & Wishaw to 7.7 in Perth and 5.8 in Dunfermline. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Greenock 12.8 and in Paisley and Coatbridge 12.7. In Glasgow the rate was 10.0 and in Edinburgh 10.9.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 3 and are 1 more than in the previous week. They include 2 from meningococcal infections and 1 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 11, of which 10 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 4 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 2 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 46, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.9 per thousand. This death rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.4 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 42, being 13 more than in the previous week. Of these, 27 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 304, and are 84 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 21, and are 4 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 13th April 1954, was 15,985. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 48.2° being 3.5° above that for the previous week, and 4.2° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.17 inch, and the mean sunshine 35.9 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 15 **Week ended SATURDAY, April 17th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	12	1	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Orkney C.	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	3	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	4	..	..	3	10	..	16	1	..	..	..	..	14
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	2	11	..	..	1	10	..	3	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	5	..	..	..	1	5	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	23
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	2	11	..	..	1	10	..	3	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	6	..	1	..	1	9	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	33

Berwick C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	6	1	1	..	1	11	..	7	4	..	..	..	..	12
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kirkcaldy B.	..	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	10	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	4
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	39	..	1	..	..	..	101	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	13	..	14	2	..	..	..	..	44
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	11
TOTAL	..	25	..	..	..	44	..	2	2	..	..	111	1	..	..	17	1	1	..	3	36	..	27	7	..	..	..	..	90
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	10	..	1	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	5	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Lanark C.	..	18	..	..	..	40	..	2	..	..	..	5	3	..	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	12
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	15	197	..	3	2	147	..	3	..	..	..	14	2	..	2	97	..	..	3	3	33	..	70	3	..	..	..	..	74
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	7	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	6	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	4
Greenock B.	..	7	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	1
Paisley B.	..	15	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	2
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	16	237	..	3	2	214	..	6	..	..	..	33	5	..	5	153	10	1	3	4	81	..	118	11	..	..	..	..	110
GRAND TOTAL	18	276	..	3	3	273	..	11	2	..	..	144	12	..	5	180	15	3	3	11	137	..	168	20	..	..	..	..	248

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 15

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED APRIL 17, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED APRIL 13, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 13th Apr. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	323	64	236	31	3	208	10.0	10	14	..	21	6	2	..	1	5	4	12	12	35	18	8	112	60	35	47.7	0.32	29.9	4,736
2. Edinburgh	470,500	124	40	113	21	6	98	10.9	6	1	..	2	..	2	..	1	3	3	2	3	16	8	4	65	58	36	47.9	0.01	41.0	990
3. Aberdeen	185,500	52	16	48	11	2	39	11.0	4	2	1	4	1	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	10	6	1	24	64	34	47.6	0.07	39.0	547
4. Dundee	177,500	52	13	39	2	3	40	11.7	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	9	4	3	19	61	35	47.2	0.14	33.2	547
5. Paisley	94,500	41	6	25	3	1	23	12.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	2	5	3	1	15	63	37	50.0	0.15	34.5	465
6. Greenock	77,300	35	6	24	6	1	19	12.8	1	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	2	1	2	11	61	38	48.7	0.42	36·1	571
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	26	2	13	2	8	18	13.5	..	2	1	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	487
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	8	5	11	1	1	11	11.4	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	220
9. Coatbridge	49,300	19	..	9	..	3	12	12.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	293
10. Dunfermline	45,300	7	6	9	4	..	5	5.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	5	58	34	47.7	0.00	32.3	245
11. Clydebank	46,400	12	2	4	..	7	11	12.3	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	277
12. Ayr	42,400	6	1	7	2	5	10	12.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	3	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	367
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	15	3	10	3	3	10	12.2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	4	59	34	47.8	0.32	37.4	241
14. Perth	40,800	10	5	9	4	1	6	7.7	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	3	60	34	49.1	0.09	39.4	171
15. Hamilton	40,600	12	3	5	1	3	7	9.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	457
16. Falkirk	37,400	16	2	10	4	2	8	11.2	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	245
17. Airdrie	31,700	11	1	6	..	4	10	16.4	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	153
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Apr. 17, 1954.	2,586,800	769	175	577	95	53	535	10.8	24	27	3	42	7	8	..	3	11	10	22	24	95	53	21	304	64†	34†	48.2‡	0.17‡	35.9‡	
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Week ended Saturday, 24th April 1954

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 24th April 1954, the births of 1,101 living children, and of 24 still-born children, 310 marriages and 576 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 22.2 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 6.2 and the death-rate 11.6. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 21 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 6.7 more than in the previous week, and 2.0 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 2.7 more than in the previous week, and 0.5 above the average. The death-rate is 0.8 more than in the previous week, but 1.0 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 23.2 in Kilmarnock and 17.2 in Motherwell & Wishaw to 5.8 in Dunfermline and 4.9 in Airdrie. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Ayr 16.0 and in Falkirk 15.3. In Glasgow the rate was 11.6 and in Edinburgh 12.0.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 3 and are the same as in the previous week. The deaths registered were from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 11, of which 10 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are the same as in the previous week, and the latter the same.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 46, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.9 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, but 0.2 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 26, being 16 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 13 were aged 0-6 days and 2 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 346, and are 42 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 24, and are 3 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 20th April 1954, was 14,248. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 44.1° being 4.1° below that for the previous week, and 0.3° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.00 inch, and the mean sunshine 46.4 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 16 **Week ended SATURDAY, April 24th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	5	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	2
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	9
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	1	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	4	6	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	1	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	2	..	..	4	7	..	6	2	..	..	..	..	12
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	9	..	..	..	21	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	25
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	4	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
TOTAL	1	9	..	..	..	21	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	9	1	..	..	1	9	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	32

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	4	..	4	4	..	..	..	..	19
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kirkcaldy B.	..	9	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	19	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	6
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	21	..	1	..	..	..	120	..	..	..	5	..	..	3	9	..	28	9	..	..	..	..	41
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	11
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	15
TOTAL	..	9	..	..	..	22	..	3	1	..	..	140	..	..	..	18	..	..	3	26	..	43	16	..	..	..	..	107
WESTERN REGION.—																												
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	1	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	4	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	..	65	..	2	..	..	..	1	1	..	6	17	..	..	1	9	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	29
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Coatbridge B.	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	6	130	..	3	2	196	..	3	..	..	..	18	2	..	2	94	..	3	3	2	29	..	50	4	..	..	1	..	71
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	4	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Renfrew C.	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	6
Greenock B.	..	11	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	22	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4
Paisley B.	..	13	..	..	..	11	..	1	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	7	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	7
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	4	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	6
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17
TOTAL	10	156	..	3	2	303	..	8	..	..	..	44	4	..	11	152	8	3	4	2	75	..	87	10	..	..	1	..	161
GRAND TOTAL	11	174	..	3	3	351	..	15	1	..	..	184	7	..	11	193	11	3	4	10	122	..	148	31	..	..	1	..	314

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 16

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED APRIL 24, 1954

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED APRIL 20, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 20th Apr. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	515	137	257	32	16	241	11.6	11	8	1	16	..	4	..	1	7	7	6	13	46	28	10	143	56	31	44.1	..	46.0	3,624
2. Edinburgh	470,500	168	61	119	15	4	108	12.0	1	..	1	2	..	..	1	1	..	..	6	2	22	16	4	70	56	32	42.8	..	51.6	1,092
3. Aberdeen	185,500	63	19	46	8	1	39	11.0	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	7	9	3	23	52	30	41.1	..	53.9	484
4. Dundee	177,500	76	17	42	7	..	35	10.3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	1	6	4	..	24	54	32	43.9	..	40.2	681
5. Paisley	94,500	29	9	24	7	1	18	9.9	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	3	1	1	10	56	33	45.7	..	39.2	469
6. Greenock	77,300	31	6	20	5	..	15	10.1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2	..	11	56	35	46.1	..	50·2	533
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	33	11	17	2	8	23	17.2	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	1	7	3	1	13	..	..	..	..	..	482
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	26	5	9	1	3	11	11.4	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	188
9. Coatbridge	49,300	24	5	9	2	6	13	13.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	218
10. Dunfermline	45,300	11	10	5	1	1	5	5.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	55	31	43.9	..	48.3	173
11. Clydebank	46,400	25	3	7	4	5	8	9.0	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	234
12. Ayr	42,400	20	8	11	1	3	13	15.0	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	301
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	11	4	18	2	3	19	23.2	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	2	3	3	..	9	56	30	44.5	..	49.2	207
14. Perth	40,800	16	2	8	3	4	9	11.5	..	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	6	57	28	44.9	0.01	39.0	140
15. Hamilton	40,600	19	7	3	1	3	5	6.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	356
16. Falkirk	37,400	15	3	14	3	..	11	15.3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	244
17. Airdrie	31,700	19	3	3	1	1	3	4.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	130
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Apr. 24, 1954.	2,586,800	1101	310	612	95	59	576	11.6	24	13	2	26	..	5	2	3	11	10	22	24	16	77	24	346	57†	28†	44.1‡	0.00‡	46.4‡	
Apr. 17, 1954.	2,586,800	769	175	577	95	53	535	10.8	24	27	3	42	7	8	..	3	11	10	22	24	95	53	21	304	64†	34†	48.2‡	0.17‡	35.9‡	
Apr. 25, 1953.	2,588,300‖	971	186	656	106	56	606	12.2	25	14	3	30	5	5	1	4	16	14	22	30	115	76	21	388	68†	30†	46.9‡	0.03‡	56.7‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 17

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 1st May 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 1st May 1954, the births of 1,039 living children, and of 26 still-born children, 305 marriages and 681 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 20.9 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 6.1 and the death-rate 13.7. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 24 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.3 less than in the previous week, but 1.0 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, but 0.4 above the average. The death-rate is 2.1 more than in the previous week, and 1.5 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 17.5 in Greenock and 15.6 in Dundee to 7.3 in Kilmarnock and 4.2 in Kirkcaldy. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Edinburgh 15.1 and in Ayr 14.7. In Glasgow the rate was 13.7.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2 and are 1 fewer than in the previous week. They include 1 from meningococcal infections, and 1 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 16, of which 14 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 5 more than in the previous week, and the latter 4 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 56, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.1 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 more than in the previous week, and 0.1 above the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 29, being 3 more than in the previous week. Of these, 20 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 402, and are 56 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 31, and are 7 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 27th April 1954, was 15,381. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 17 **Week ended SATURDAY, May 1st, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	9	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..
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Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	19
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	6	..	5	2	..	..	..	..	1
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	7	3	..	..	..	15	..	7	2	..	..	..	..	22
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	36	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	7	..	5	3	..	..	..	..	36
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	36	..	..	..	6	..	2	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	15	..	6	3	..	..	..	..	41

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	3	3	6	..	2	6	..	..	..	38
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	3
Kirkcaldy B.	..	25	..	..	..	8	..	..	4	..	..	12	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	4
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	8
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	27	..	3	..	..	..	115	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	10	..	14	1	1	..	..	34
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	5	1	..	..	..	8
TOTAL	..	25	..	..	..	35	..	5	4	..	..	127	1	..	..	9	..	..	3	3	30	..	28	9	1	..	..	..	112
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	4	..	..	..	3
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	3
Clydebank B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	5
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	1
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	10
Lanark C.	2	8	..	..	1	35	..	..	..	..	..	11	3	..	1	16	..	..	2	..	12	..	15	2	..	..	..	23
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	2
Glasgow B.	11	246	..	2	2	178	..	..	..	..	..	42	2	..	2	76	..	..	2	2	18	..	32	4	..	..	..	137
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Renfrew C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	13	2	..	..	..	6
Greenock B.	..	11	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	26	..	..	..	2	8	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Paisley B.	..	22	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	7	..	2	..	..	..	..	4
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	2	..	..	..	2
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
TOTAL	16	287	..	2	3	234	..	1	..	..	..	85	5	..	4	115	11	1	6	2	67	..	91	16	..	..	..	..	227
GRAND TOTAL	17	348	..	2	3	280	..	10	4	..	1	212	12	..	4	140	14	2	9	5	136	..	134	32	1	..	..	..	402

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 1, 1954

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED APRIL 27, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 27th Apr. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	468	118	286	24	24	286	13.7	16	5	2	10	2	2	2	1	5	4	7	17	53	32	11	167	60	29	44.3	0.40	38.3	4 566
2. Edinburgh	470,500	161	51	148	16	4	136	15.1	3	2	1	3	..	2	..	..	4	4	3	4	27	24	4	90	56	32	43.1	0.92	42.1	1,119
3. Aberdeen	185,500	71	34	57	14	9	52	14.6	..	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	2	7	11	6	27	56	30	41.7	1.04	33.0	571
4. Dundee	177,500	81	18	52	4	5	53	15.6	2	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	2	2	4	1	11	10	2	37	59	33	43.9	0.69	38.4	617
5. Paisley	94,500	34	11	29	8	..	21	11.6	..	3	..	3	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	2	..	12	61	32	45.6	0.49	34.5	441
6. Greenock	77,300	36	10	30	4	..	26	17.5	2	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	2	2	..	7	2	1	13	61	35	45.3	0.41	41·5	443
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	34	2	18	5	2	15	11.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	457
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	18	9	4	..	..	4	4.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	218
9. Coatbridge	49,300	22	9	8	..	5	13	13.7	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	1	1	2	6	..	..	..	..	..	291
10. Dunfermline	45,300	16	5	6	..	3	9	10.4	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	3	57	30	43.2	0.68	42.7	221
11. Clydebank	46,400	24	5	11	3	4	12	13.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	4	.2	1	9	..	..	..	..	..	282
12. Ayr	42,400	11	6	12	4	4	12	14.7	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	240
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	10	8	6	1	1	6	7.3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	3	59	30	44.4	0.14	46.4	232
14. Perth	40,800	17	10	9	4	4	9	11.5	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	5	59	28	44.6	1.06	29.0	186
15. Hamilton	40,600	10	3	7	..	4	11	14.1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	496
16. Falkirk	37,400	8	5	15	7	1	9	12.6	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	213
17. Airdrie	31,700	18	1	4	1	4	7	11.5	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	153
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended May. 1, 1954.	2,586,800	1039	305	702	95	74	681	13.7	26	20	3	29	3	6	4	2	16	14	23	33	119	94	31	402	61†	28†	44.0‡	0.65‡	38.4‡	
Apr. 24, 1954.	2,586,800	1101	310	612	95	59	576	11.6	24	13	2	26	..	5	2	3	11	10	22	24	107	77	24	346	57†	28†	44.1‡	0.00‡	46.4‡	
May. 2, 1953.	2,588,300‖	929	286	628	107	41	562	11.3	33	17	4	30	7	1	2	4	13	12	22	18	88	78	23	346	64†	30†	44.4‡	0.76‡	35.5‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 18

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 8th May 1954

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 8th May 1954, the births of 1,008 living children, and of 32 still-born children, 214 marriages and 584 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 20.3 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 4.3 and the death-rate 11.8. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 31 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.6 less than in the previous week, but 1.3 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.8 less than in the previous week, and 1.1 below the average. The death-rate is 1.9 less than in the previous week, but 0.1 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 20.8 in Kirkcaldy and 19.5 in Kilmarnock to 9.1 in Dundee and 8.4 in Falkirk. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Clydebank 15.7 and in Perth 15.3. In Glasgow the rate was 12.2 and in Edinburgh 10.4.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2 and are the same as in the previous week. They include 1 from measles and 1 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 11, all of which were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 5 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 3 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 43, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.9 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 37, being 8 more than in the previous week. Of these, 30 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 357, and are 45 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 17, and are 14 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 4th May 1954, was 15,726. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 45.7° being 1.7° above that for the previous week, but 0.6° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.25 inches, and the mean sunshine 20.3 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 18 **Week ended SATURDAY, May 8th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1
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Aberdeen B.	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	1	..	8	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
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Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	31	..	..	..	10	..	1	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	2	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	35
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
TOTAL	1	31				10		1				1	3			8					6		17						43

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fife C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	5	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	26
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	12	..	..	..	3	..	1	4	..	..	8	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	5	2	..	..	..	..	3
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	8
Edinburgh B.	1	..	..	..	..	16	..	3	..	..	..	109	..	..	1	5	..	..	2	3	7	..	24	6	..	..	..	..	23
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	7
TOTAL	2	12	..	..	..	21	..	6	4	..	..	118	5	..	1	15	..	..	2	4	24	..	53	10	..	..	..	..	72
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Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	26
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	4	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	2
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	5
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	1	30	..	..	..	27	..	5	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	34	..	1	..	..	4	..	27	3	..	..	..	..	17
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	5	393	..	1	3	220	..	2	..	..	1	55	1	..	1	69	..	1	2	4	32	..	46	6	1	..	..	..	146
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	3
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	..	..	..	1	4	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	10
Greenock B.	..	9	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	19	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	2	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	3
Paisley B.	..	20	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	7	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	8	453	..	1	3	275	..	10	..	..	1	82	2	..	3	143	5	2	2	7	72	..	108	15	1	..	1	..	231
GRAND TOTAL	11	497	..	1	3	311	..	20	4	..	1	201	10	..	4	179	12	2	5	11	118	..	189	30	1	..	1	..	356

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 18

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 8, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 4, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 4th May 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	471	97	262	30	21	253	12.2	18	13	..	16	5	3	1	1	8	8	12	9	42	27	9	148	60	35	44.9	1.41	19.4	4,568
2. Edinburgh	470,500	140	47	105	17	6	94	10.4	2	3	..	3	1	1	..	1	1	1	4	4	20	18	4	56	60	36	44.4	1.22	20.4	1,230
3. Aberdeen	185,500	61	14	51	15	..	36	10.1	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	13	..	27	54	35	43.4	1.98	17.3	586
4. Dundee	177,500	60	15	35	5	1	31	9.1	3	3	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	10	2	1	16	61	37	46.6	1.29	19.8	592
5. Paisley	94,500	31	5	22	4	3	21	11.6	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	3	1	13	60	38	46.6	1.13	19.2	404
6. Greenock	77,300	32	9	21	6	4	19	12.8	1	2	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	9	58	38	45.8	1.42	22·5	398
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	24	1	11	2	7	16	12.0	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	7	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	488
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	26	1	20	3	3	20	20.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	3	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	226
9. Coatbridge	49,300	30	3	11	2	4	13	13.7	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	300
10. Dunfermline	45,300	17	5	10	2	1	9	10.4	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	5	60	36	45.4	1.34	17.4	221
11. Clydebank	46,400	22	2	16	5	3	14	15.7	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	1	1	9	..	..	..	..	..	297
12. Ayr	42,400	11	2	12	3	..	9	11.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	281
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	24	..	14	1	3	16	19.5	..	3	..	3	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	3	4	1	10	58	35	44.9	0.60	24.3	197
14. Perth	40,800	16	5	7	1	6	12	15.3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	10	61	36	49.1	0.90	22.5	163
15. Hamilton	40,600	15	3	7	..	1	8	10.3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	3	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	519
16. Falkirk	37,400	9	2	10	5	1	6	8.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	203
17. Airdrie	31,700	19	3	5	2	4	7	11.5	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	132
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended May. 8, 1954.	2,586,800	1008	214	619	103	68	584	11.8	32	30	1	37	8	9	1	2	11	11	20	23	105	86	17	357	61†	35†	45.7‡	1.25‡	20.3‡	
May. 1, 1954.	2,586,800	1039	305	702	95	74	681	13.7	26	20	3	29	3	6	4	2	16	14	23	33	119	94	31	402	61†	28†	44.0‡	0.65‡	38.4‡	
May. 9, 1953.	2,588,300‖	917	147	627	90	44	581	11.7	27	15	..	21	1	5	..	4	20	17	15	19	107	82	23	365	76†	34†	54.9‡	0.00‡	64.0‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952 § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 19

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 15th May 1954

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 15th May 1954, the births of 962 living children, and of 24 still-born children, 126 marriages and 597 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.4 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 2.5 and the death-rate 12.0. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 24 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.9 less than in the previous week, and 0.5 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.8 less than in the previous week, and 0.3 below the average. The death-rate is 0.2 more than in the previous week, and 0.2 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 14.4 in Edinburgh and 13.8 in Dundee, Paisley and Dunfermline to 6.1 in Kilmarnock and 4.2 in Kirkcaldy. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Coatbridge 13.7 and in Ayr 13.5. In Glasgow the rate was 11.9.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous week 2 deaths were registered from these causes.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 14, of which 13 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 3 more than in the previous week, and the latter 2 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 47, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.9 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, but 0.1 above the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one numbered 30, being 7 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 13 were aged 0-6 days and 5 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 370, and are 13 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 24, and are 7 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 11th May 1954, was 15,331. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 52.8° being 7.1° above that for the previous week, and 5.2° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.92 inch, and the mean sunshine 33.6 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 19 **Week ended SATURDAY, May 15th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
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Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Aberdeen C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	3	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	11
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	..	..	..	..	4	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	2	26	..	..	..	19	..	2	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	14
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	3	..	..	..	..	4
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4
TOTAL	2	26	..	..	..	19	..	2	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	6	..	13	3	..	..	..	..	30

Berwick C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	13
East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	28
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	8
Kirkcaldy B.	..	8	..	..	..	4	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	5
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	13	2	..	..	..	..	29
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	86	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
West Lothian C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	
TOTAL	1	8	..	..	..	22	1	2	2	..	1	86	2	..	..	15	..	1	..	1	22	..	25	4	..	..	..	..	100
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	6
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	10	..	..	..	..	2	..	6	2	..	..	..	..	5
Ayr B.	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	5
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Lanark C.	..	14	..	..	..	20	1	3	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	16	..	..	..	..	5	..	17	4	..	..	..	..	17
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Glasgow B.	10	185	..	1	4	226	..	4	..	..	..	58	1	..	4	102	..	1	8	3	32	..	48	6	..	..	1	..	96
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	6	2	..	..	..	..	1
Greenock B.	..	7	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	22	..	..	1	1	2	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	4
Paisley B.	..	10	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	5	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	12
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	11	222	..	1	4	294	1	9	1	..	..	83	1	..	6	154	6	1	8	4	70	..	109	17	..	..	1	..	167
GRAND TOTAL	15	256	..	1	4	335	2	17	3	..	1	169	12	..	7	189	9	2	8	6	110	..	170	26	..	..	1	..	308

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 15, 1954

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 11, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 11th May 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	410	53	268	35	15	248	11.9	11	5	3	11	..	3	..	..	9	9	13	13	60	29	10	143	69	43	54.6	0.66	31.1	4,368
2. Edinburgh	470,500	160	27	134	12	8	130	14.4	5	2	..	3	..	2	..	..	2	1	3	3	24	17	4	96	61	42	50.0	1.35	30.9	1,228
3. Aberdeen	185,500	71	15	39	6	..	33	9.3	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	9	2	1	20	56	40	47.9	0.73	40.6	578
4. Dundee	177,500	63	10	53	11	5	47	13.8	2	1	1	3	1	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	10	3	4	26	57	38	50.2	1.42	29.2	582
5. Paisley	94,500	32	2	28	5	2	25	13.8	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	..	5	3	1	14	71	46	56.4	0.58	29.6	383
6. Greenock	77,300	37	5	18	4	1	15	10.1	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	2	..	1	9	68	44	55.5	0.23	36.1	459
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	31	2	10	1	5	14	10.5	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	517
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	20	4	4	1	1	4	4.2	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	203
9. Coatbridge	49,300	19	..	10	..	3	13	13.7	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	2	1	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	276
10. Dunfermline	45,300	12	1	12	1	1	12	13.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	8	62	44	51.1	1.26	31.5	193
11. Clydebank	46,400	28	1	10	4	4	10	11.2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	301
12. Ayr	42,400	21	3	9	1	3	11	13.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	5	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	282
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	9	1	8	4	1	5	6.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	3	72	43	55.0	0.25	38.2	231
14. Perth	40,800	13	2	13	6	2	9	11.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	1	7	69	39	54.4	1.78	35.0	164
15. Hamilton	40,600	14	..	4	..	1	5	6.4	1	1	1	2	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	431
16. Falkirk	37,400	11	..	11	6	3	8	11.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	239
17. Airdrie	31,700	11	..	6	..	2	8	13.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	161
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended May. 15, 1954.	2,586,800	962	126	637	97	57	597	12.0	24	13	5	30	3	7	1	..	14	13	25	22	126	64	24	370	72†	38†	52.8‡	0.92‡	33.6‡	
May. 8, 1954.	2,586,800	1008	214	619	103	68	584	11.8	32	30	1	37	8	9	1	2	11	11	20	23	105	86	17	357	61†	35†	45.7‡	1.25‡	20.3‡	
May. 16, 1953.	2,588,300	932	141	565	85	46	526	10.6	17	17	3	30	7	6	..	2	17	16	9	13	105	67	23	306	64†	31†	49.4‡	0.39‡	20.4‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952 § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 20

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

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Week ended Saturday, 22nd May 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 22nd May 1954, the births of 954 living children, and of 31 still-born children, 168 marriages and 547 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.2 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 3.4 and the death-rate 11.0. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 31 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.2 less than in the previous week, and 0.6 below the five year's average. The marriage-rate is 0.9 more than in the previous week, and 0.5 above the average. The death-rate is 1.0 less than in the previous week, and 0.5 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 19.7 in Ayr and 17.7 in Kirkcaldy to 6.1 in Greenock and 3.5 in Dunfermline. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Airdrie 16.4 and in Kilmarnock 14.6. In Glasgow the rate was 10.9 and in Edinburgh 11.5.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous week there were also no deaths from these causes.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 12, all of which were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 2 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 1 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 35, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.7 per thousand. This death rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week, and 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 29, being 1 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 16 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 353, and are 17 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 30, and are 6 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 18th May 1954, was 14,856. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 50.9° being 1.9° below that for the previous week, but 0.9° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.24 inch, and the mean sunshine 48.0 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 20 **Week ended SATURDAY, May 22nd, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
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Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	5	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	8
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	1	..	6	2	..	..	..	..	1
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	16	5	1	..	..	5	..	13	2	..	..	..	..	9
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	3
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	6	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	31
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	6	..	..	..	12	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	8	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	59

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	3
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	2	..	..	..	4	..	9	4	..	..	..	..	19
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	12	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	5
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	15
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	44	..	1	..	..	..	101	..	..	1	2	..	..	1	..	9	..	20	4	..	..	..	..	43
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	6
TOTAL	..	12	..	..	1	49	..	2	1	..	..	104	..	..	3	18	2	..	1	..	22	..	40	14	..	..	..	..	106
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	4	..	4	..	..	..	1	..	1
Ayr B.	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	47	..	..	1	15	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	..	7	..	..	1	..	10	..	17	1	..	..	..	..	36
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	8	274	..	3	2	205	..	3	..	..	..	46	1	..	..	90	..	1	6	6	18	..	40	7	..	..	..	..	115
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	3	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	2
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	2	..	..	..	9	..	1	..	..	..	31	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	3
Paisley B.	..	6	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	9	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	10	331	..	3	3	262	..	11	..	..	..	83	4	..	..	133	4	3	7	6	68	..	93	16	..	..	2	..	176
GRAND TOTAL	10	351	..	3	4	324	..	15	1	..	..	187	7	..	3	177	11	4	8	6	115	..	155	33	..	..	2	..	352

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 20

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 22, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 18, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 18th May 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	426	72	241	23	8	226	10.9	13	6	1	11	..	3	..	..	6	6	7	13	38	25	10	139	65	38	51.6	0.17	51.4	4,217
2. Edinburgh	470,500	157	32	109	13	8	104	11.5	5	1	..	2	..	1	..	..	1	1	3	3	14	19	8	78	63	40	49.4	0.44	42.5	991
3. Aberdeen	185,500	65	22	45	11	3	37	10.4	1	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	7	3	23	59	41	48.3	0.58	38.5	674
4. Dundee	177,500	51	13	41	8	2	35	10.3	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	9	3	3	24	64	39	50.1	0.30	45.0	578
5. Paisley	94,500	39	5	27	6	2	23	12.7	1	1	1	3	..	..	1	..	1	1	1	1	3	2	2	11	68	41	53.1	0.07	49.3	392
6. Greenock	77,300	28	6	9	2	2	9	6.1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	4	65	43	52.6	0.04	54.2	384
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	19	1	15	4	4	15	11.2	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	2	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	510
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	25	4	22	5	..	17	17.7	..	3	..	3	1	2	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	2	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	190
9. Coatbridge	49,300	31	..	6	2	2	6	6.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	248
10. Dunfermline	45,300	19	..	2	1	2	3	3.5	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	65	38	49.9	0.24	52.4	193
11. Clydebank	46,400	19	1	10	1	2	11	12.3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	289
12. Ayr	42,400	16	2	16	3	3	16	19.7	1	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	2	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	236
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	11	1	12	5	5	12	14.6	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	1	9	64	36	50.0	0.07	51.4	161
14. Perth	40,800	9	3	12	5	..	7	8.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	67	36	52.7	0.24	46.9	173
15. Hamilton	40,600	16	3	5	..	2	7	9.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	419
16. Falkirk	37,400	9	2	12	3	..	9	12.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	214
17. Airdrie	31,700	14	1	7	..	3	10	16.4	..	..	1	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	164
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended May. 22, 1954.	2,586,800	954	168	591	92	48	547	11.0	31	16	3	29	4	6	1	..	12	12	17	18	84	72	30	353	68†	36†	50.9‡	0.24‡	48.0‡	
May. 15, 1954.	2,586,800	962	126	637	97	57	597	12.0	24	13	5	30	3	7	1	..	14	13	25	22	126	64	24	370	72†	38†	52.8‡	0.92‡	33.6‡	
May. 23, 1953.	2,588,300	948	135	602	81	48	569	11.5	25	10	6	31	3	7	3	..	14	14	14	19	97	76	31	332	67†	41†	53.7‡	1.07‡	31.8‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 21

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 29th May 1954

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 29th May 1954, the births of 901 living children, and of 21 still-born children, 136 marriages and 559 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.2 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 2.7 and the death-rate 11.3. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 21 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.0 less than in the previous week, and 1.0 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.7 less than in the previous week, and 0.4 below the average. The death-rate is 0.3 more than in the previous week, and 0.3 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 13.2 in Aberdeen and 12.8 in Hamilton to 9.0 in Clydebank and 7.4 in Ayr. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Paisley 12.7 and in Kilmarnock 12.2. In Glasgow the rate was 11.2 and in Edinburgh 11.6.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2 and are 2 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from whooping cough and 1 from meningococcal infections. There was also 1 death from acute poliomyelitis.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 14, of which 12 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 2 more than in the previous week, but the latter the same.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 38, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.8 per thousand. This death rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 26, being 3 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 17 were aged 0-6 days and 2 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 335, and are 18 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 16, and are 14 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 25th May 1954, was 13,941. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 54.6° being 3.7° above that for the previous week, and 2.8° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.49 inches and the mean sunshine 22.6 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 21 **Week ended SATURDAY, May 29th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	5	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	2
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	18
Aberdeen B.	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	10	..	..	..	..	2	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	..	4	12	2	..	..	..	7	..	15	1	..	..	..	..	18
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	9
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	30	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	27
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	30	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	..	7	1	..	..	..	2	13	..	13	1	..	..	..	..	36

Berwick C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	2	1	..	1	5	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	40
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Kirkcaldy B.	..	5	..	..	1	2	..	..	3	..	..	10	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
Midlothian C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	5	2	..	..	..	..	7
Edinburgh B.	1	..	..	..	..	37	..	1	..	..	..	110	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	3	13	..	46	6	..	..	..	..	39
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	5
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	7
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	2	..	..	..	..	3
TOTAL	2	5	..	..	1	46	..	1	3	..	1	120	1	..	2	10	2	1	..	4	36	..	68	10	..	..	..	..	114
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Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	1
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Lanark C.	..	25	..	..	..	20	..	1	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	12	..	..	..	1	7	..	14	1	..	..	..	..	15
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	4
Glasgow B.	10	225	..	5	4	207	..	3	..	..	1	65	3	..	2	82	..	1	3	3	29	..	59	3	..	..	1	..	85
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Renfrew C.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	1	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	6
Greenock B.	..	10	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	23	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	4	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	2
Paisley B.	..	9	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	6	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	11	270	..	5	8	262	..	5	..	..	1	96	4	..	2	123	3	2	4	4	74	..	116	10	..	..	1	..	134
GRAND TOTAL	16	305	..	5	9	321	..	11	4	..	2	218	9	..	15	147	8	3	4	10	135	..	213	25	..	..	1	..	304

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 29, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 25, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 25th May 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	394	54	244	27	15	232	11.2	8	11	1	15	1	3	1	..	8	7	7	5	50	23	5	132	64	43	54.6	1.30	18.6	3,532
2. Edinburgh	470,500	148	31	117	19	7	105	11.6	3	1	1	3	1	..	..	1	2	1	7	3	19	19	4	70	69	44	55.2	1.44	18.0	1,199
3. Aberdeen	185,500	63	9	59	14	2	47	13.2	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	9	9	2	31	67	43	51.6	0.48	37.7	685
4. Dundee	177,500	55	11	37	7	2	32	9.4	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	4	3	1	21	65	44	54.1	0.97	25.7	545
5. Paisley	94,500	37	2	22	4	5	23	12.7	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	3	1	12	65	46	56.0	1.70	17.9	368
6. Greenock	77,300	29	3	20	4	1	17	11.5	..	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	2	2	..	1	1	2	..	7	63	46	55.0	2.18	18.4	393
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	28	3	14	3	5	16	12.0	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	1	2	9	..	..	..	..	..	471
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	12	5	9	1	3	11	11.4	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	2	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	204
9. Coatbridge	49,300	20	2	9	1	2	10	10.6	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	280
10. Dunfermline	45,300	16	2	10	1	1	10	11.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	2	2	..	6	66	42	55.0	1.76	23.0	205
11. Clydebank	46,400	17	2	8	2	2	8	9.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	274
12. Ayr	42,400	19	2	8	2	..	6	7.4	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	243
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	11	1	12	4	2	10	12.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	..	4	66	43	55.2	1.21	20.5	160
14. Perth	40,800	14	2	6	2	4	8	10.2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	5	66	41	55.1	2.40	23.3	144
15. Hamilton	40,600	20	3	5	..	5	10	12.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	379
16. Falkirk	37,400	6	3	8	1	..	7	9.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	229
17. Airdrie	31,700	12	1	7	..	..	7	11.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	1	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	150
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
May. 29, 1954.	2,586,800	901	136	595	92	56	559	11.3	21	17	2	26	3	5	2	2	14	12	20	18	101	73	16	335	69†	41†	54.6‡	1.49‡	22.6‡	
May. 22, 1954.	2,586,800	954	168	591	92	48	547	11.0	31	16	3	29	4	6	1	..	12	12	17	18	84	72	30	353	68†	36†	50.9‡	0.24‡	48.0‡	
May. 30, 1953.	2,588,300‖	945	174	537	98	48	487	9.8	14	13	5	26	5	7	1	4	11	10	15	19	86	62	21	300	70†	40†	55.2‡	0.67‡	39.2‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952. § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 5th June 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 5th June 1954, the births of 982 living children, and of 20 still-born children, 318 marriages and 536 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.8 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 6.4 and the death-rate 10.8. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 20 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.6 more than in the previous week, and 0.6 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 3.7 more than in the previous week, and 1.6 above the average. The death-rate is 0.5 less than in the previous week, and 0.2 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 18.4 in Ayr and 18.3 in Kilmarnock to 6.7 in Clydebank and 5.1 in Hamilton. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Perth 14.0 and in Paisley 12.7. In Glasgow the rate was 10.3 and in Edinburgh 10.4.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1 and are 1 fewer than in the previous week. The death registered was from meningococcal infections.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 10, of which 9 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 4 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 3 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 36, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.7 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 29, being 3 more than in the previous week. Of these, 16 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 331, and are 4 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 28, and are 12 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 1st June 1954, was 14,369. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 55.3° being 0.7° above that for the previous week, and 1.5° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.03 inch, and the mean sunshine 73.8 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 22 **Week ended SATURDAY, June 5th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Inverness B.	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	6
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	1	2	..	2	6	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	9
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	39	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	24
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	39	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	2	5	..	..	..	1	9	..	10	1	..	..	..	..	34

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Fife C.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	2	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	25
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.	9	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	5	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	29	..	5	..	..	..	108	..	..	1	6	..	1	..	1	10	..	19	4	..	..	..	..	..	20
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	12
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	6	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	11
TOTAL	10	..	..	..	..	38	..	6	3	..	..	114	..	..	1	9	2	1	..	1	30	..	44	6	..	..	..	..	..	83
WESTERN REGION.—																														
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	..	1	..	6	..	5	..	..	..	1	..	..	4
Ayr B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
Lanark C.	..	22	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	5	2	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	3	..	13	6	..	..	..	..	..	16
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	13	348	..	11	8	182	..	5	..	..	1	87	1	..	1	72	..	2	7	9	20	..	31	5	1	..	..	..	..	87
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	1	..	2	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	7	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	3	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Paisley B.	..	6	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	12	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	14	380	..	11	8	222	..	11	..	..	2	117	3	..	1	114	8	2	9	10	65	..	81	15	1	..	1	..	..	126
GRAND TOTAL	26	421	..	11	8	266	..	18	3	..	2	232	6	..	4	136	11	5	9	14	112	..	140	22	1	..	1	..	..	250

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 5, 1954

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 1, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 1st June 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	431	124	227	32	19	214	10.3	9	5	2	13	2	6	2	..	5	4	7	10	38	24	9	123	73	44	57.3	..	80.6	3,950
2. Edinburgh	470,500	145	51	108	18	4	94	10.4	2	4	1	7	3	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	18	11	6	57	63	43	50.6	..	64.9	1,073
3. Aberdeen	185,500	88	26	47	9	2	40	11.2	1	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	3	4	8	..	27	69	38	51.1	..	62.8	688
4. Dundee	177,500	58	14	44	3	2	43	12.6	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	9	9	2	32	75	42	53.8	..	72.3	580
5. Paisley	94,500	36	16	28	7	2	23	12.7	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	4	1	1	14	73	46	58.6	0.07	76.8	349
6. Greenock	77,300	23	22	16	2	2	16	10.8	3	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	3	3	2	9	74	46	59.0	0.10	78.3	362
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	31	12	12	3	3	12	9.0	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	467
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	21	5	13	3	1	11	11.4	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	185
9. Coatbridge	49,300	28	5	10	1	2	11	11.6	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	1	10	..	..	..	..	..	302
10. Dunfermline	45,300	17	6	7	1	2	8	9.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	1	6	70	43	52.8	..	69.4	206
11. Clydebank	46,400	26	7	4	1	3	6	6.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	244
12. Ayr	42,400	20	7	18	4	1	15	18.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	7	..	..	..	..	..	192
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	12	9	16	2	1	15	18.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	4	1	10	73	42	58.3	0.09	83.6	204
14. Perth	40,800	11	3	9	2	4	11	14.0	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	1	..	..	6	74	40	55.9	..	75.4	170
15. Hamilton	40,600	11	3	1	1	4	4	5.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	512
16. Falkirk	37,400	9	2	6	1	2	7	9.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	208
17. Airdrie	31,700	15	6	5	..	1	6	9.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	140
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended June 5, 1954	2,586,800	982	318	571	90	55	536	10.8	20	16	3	29	5	8	4	1	10	9	18	18	94	71	28	331	75†	38†	55.3‡	0.03‡	73.8‡	
May 29, 1954	2,586,800	901	136	595	92	56	559	11.3	21	17	2	26	3	5	2	2	14	12	20	18	101	73	16	335	69†	41†	54.6‡	1.49‡	22.6‡	
June 6, 1953	2,588,300	927	307	481	79	50	452	9.1	30	5	..	14	2	2	3	2	12	10	9	11	82	76	20	279	67†	35†	50.0‡	0.24‡	39.8‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

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No. 23

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 12th June 1954

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 12th June 1954, the births of 947 living children and of 36 still-born children, 502 marriages and 508 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.1 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 10.1 and the death-rate 10.2. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 37 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.7 less than in the previous week, and 0.2 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 3.7 more than in the previous week, but 0.8 below the average. The death-rate is 0.6 less than in the previous week, and 1.0 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 16.9 in Greenock and 15.9 in Kilmarnock to 7.0 in Falkirk and 5.9 in Dundee. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Coatbridge 12.7 and in Edinburgh 11.2. In Glasgow the rate was 10.0.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1, the same as in the previous week. The death registered was from measles.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 16, of which 13 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 6 more than in the previous week, and the latter 4 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 24, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.5 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week, and 0.2 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 27, being 2 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 18 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 308, and are 23 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 16, and are 12 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 8th June 1954, was 12,645. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 52.6° being 2.7° below that for the previous week, and 1.7° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.70 inch, and the mean sunshine 22.3 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 23 **Week ended SATURDAY, June 12th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	4
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	1	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	21	..	1	..	..	8	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	11
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	8
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	37	..	..	..	10	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	23
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
TOTAL	..	37	..	..	1	10	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	5	..	..	..	1	10	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	34

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	4	1	..	..	..	9	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	28
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kirkcaldy B.	..	5	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	31	..	1	..	..	..	70	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	7	..	18	1	..	..	..	..	19
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
TOTAL	..	5	..	..	..	33	..	2	3	..	..	73	2	..	..	8	1	1	..	1	23	..	23	1	..	..	..	..	75
WESTERN REGION.—																														
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	4	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	2
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	10
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	5
Lanark C.	1	22	..	..	..	15	..	4	..	..	..	3	3	..	..	8	..	..	1	..	5	..	14	2	..	..	..	..	12
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Glasgow B.	13	306	..	2	3	198	..	3	..	..	1	65	2	..	1	66	..	2	7	5	29	..	47	3	..	..	..	..	79
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	6	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	1
Greenock B.	..	7	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	2	3	1	..	..	1	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	9
Paisley B.	..	2	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	7	1	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	2
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	15	337	..	2	3	236	..	9	..	..	2	86	5	..	1	101	4	4	9	8	77	..	104	12	..	..	..	..	142
GRAND TOTAL	15	379	..	2	4	281	..	13	3	..	2	159	10	..	1	137	5	6	9	10	123	..	141	15	..	..	..	..	266

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 12, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 8, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 8th June 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	414	210	225	32	16	209	10.0	20	11	..	14	3	1	..	1	7	6	5	5	47	19	6	113	64	41	52.8	0.60	20.7	3,421
2. Edinburgh	470,500	161	85	102	12	11	101	11.2	4	3	..	4	..	1	1	..	3	3	1	3	24	14	4	73	63	42	51.0	1.05	19.0	896
3. Aberdeen	185,500	67	37	47	13	2	36	10.1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	2	1	..	6	7	..	24	61	39	49.6	1.19	17.0	697
4. Dundee	177,500	67	22	22	5	3	20	5.9	1	4	..	4	4	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	3	2	..	11	64	37	52.6	0.62	20.8	525
5. Paisley	94,500	31	22	22	3	..	19	10.5	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	2	14	66	46	54.4	0.57	20.6	335
6. Greenock	77,300	30	8	26	3	2	25	16.9	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	4	..	17	62	46	53.8	0.41	24.8	311
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	28	12	10	2	6	14	10.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	4	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	403
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	27	10	11	2	1	10	10.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	1	2	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	179
9. Coatbridge	49,300	18	6	8	1	5	12	12.7	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4	2	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	232
10. Dunfermline	45,300	12	9	11	4	1	8	9.2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	1	4	63	42	52.2	0.63	20.5	165
11. Clydebank	46,400	16	12	6	2	3	7	7.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	233
12. Ayr	42,400	11	10	10	1	..	9	11.1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	194
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	13	14	16	4	1	13	15.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	2	..	8	64	45	53.8	0.56	35.6	205
14. Perth	40,800	13	12	5	..	2	7	8.9	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	6	64	37	53.1	0.69	22.0	129
15. Hamilton	40,600	15	14	5	1	3	7	9.0	1	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	427
16. Falkirk	37,400	10	9	5	1	1	5	7.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	178
17. Airdrie	31,700	14	10	5	..	1	6	9.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	142
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended June 12, 1954.	2,586,800	947	502	536	86	58	508	10.2	36	18	1	27	7	3	2	1	16	13	10	14	104	66	16	308	66†	37†	52.6‡	0.70‡	22.3‡	
June 5, 1954.	2,586,800	982	318	571	90	55	536	10.8	20	16	3	29	5	8	4	1	10	9	18	18	94	71	28	331	75†	38†	55.3‡	0.03‡	73.8‡	
June 13, 1953.	2,588,300	936	535	571	90	55	536	10.8	20	15	1	30	4	4	4	1	13	13	15	7	106	62	26	326	75†	39†	56.3‡	0.17‡	48.3‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 19th June 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 19th June 1954, the births of 923 living children, and of 19 still-born children, 395 marriages and 525 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.6 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 8.0 and the death-rate 10.6. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 20 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.5 less than in the previous week, and 0.4 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 2.1 less than in the previous week, and 1.1 below the average. The death-rate is 0.4 more than in the previous week, but 0.3 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 16.7 in Falkirk and 15.5 in Greenock to 6.6 in Paisley and 6.0 in Motherwell & Wishaw. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Kilmarnock 13.4 and in Coatbridge 12.7. In Glasgow the rate was 10.6 and in Edinburgh 10.2.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2 and are 1 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from meningococcal infections and 1 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 10, of which 9 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 6 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 4 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 28, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.6 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 26, being 1 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 14 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 309, and are 1 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 20, and are 4 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 15th June 1954, was 12,575. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 55.5° being 2.9° above that for the previous week, and 0.9° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.94 inch, and the mean sunshine 24.0 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 24 **Week ended SATURDAY, June 19th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	6	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	7
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	5	1	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	9	4	5	1	..	10	..	10	3	..	..	1	..	11
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	2	30	..	..	..	12	..	1	..	..	..	1	7	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	20
Perth and Kinross C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	5
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	3	30	..	..	..	12	..	1	..	..	..	1	8	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	10	..	14	2	..	..	..	..	25

Berwick C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	1	1	..	1	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	10
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
Kirkcaldy B.	..	9	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	5	..	20	..	..	..	..	..	18
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	28	..	2	..	..	..	75	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	10
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	4
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	9	..	..	..	30	..	3	2	..	..	87	..	..	1	10	1	1	1	1	26	..	32	2	..	..	..	..	58
WESTERN REGION.—																												
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	6
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	8
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	4
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	1	10	..	..	1	8	..	1	..	..	1	1	1	..	1	17	..	..	..	..	6	..	11	1	..	..	..	14
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	7
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Glasgow B.	11	258	..	4	3	154	..	1	..	..	..	33	4	..	..	56	..	2	3	1	15	..	50	10	..	..	..	94
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	3
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Renfrew C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	6	3	..	..	..	3
Greenock B.	..	9	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	7
Paisley B.	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	8	..	2	..	..	..	..	1
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	3	1	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	15	289	..	4	4	184	..	3	..	..	1	61	5	..	1	87	7	7	3	2	55	..	96	16	..	..	..	152
GRAND TOTAL	19	328	..	4	4	228	..	9	2	..	1	149	13	..	3	109	12	13	5	3	107	..	156	24	..	..	1	..	246

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RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 19, 1954

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 15, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 15th June 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	407	175	241	38	17	220	10.6	11	5	2	11	2	1	..	1	8	7	2	5	44	24	12	111	65	45	55.3	1.43	28.8	3,447
2. Edinburgh	470,500	145	64	104	16	4	92	10.2	4	2	..	2	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	2	13	16	2	72	66	47	55.6	0.62	27.8	931
3. Aberdeen	185,500	74	32	46	10	..	36	10.1	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	6	10	1	25	70	38	52.4	0.08	21.9	657
4. Dundee	177,500	56	29	39	5	5	39	11.5	..	3	..	5	..	1	1	..	1	1	2	2	7	6	3	20	69	48	56.5	0.53	16.2	512
5. Paisley	94,500	31	14	14	6	4	12	6.6	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	7	67	47	57.0	1.28	26.6	341
6. Greenock	77,300	31	7	22	..	1	23	15.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	2	..	17	66	47	55.8	1.66	27.9	331
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	31	8	5	1	4	8	6.0	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	413
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	10	9	9	1	3	11	11.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	154
9. Coatbridge	49,300	20	7	10	..	2	12	12.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	6	1	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	218
10. Dunfermline	45,300	21	8	12	4	1	9	10.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	6	66	47	55.6	0.71	22.9	222
11. Clydebank	46,400	23	4	8	4	5	9	10.1	..	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	209
12. Ayr	42,400	11	2	12	8	2	6	7.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	211
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	11	6	7	1	5	11	13.4	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	5	66	43	55.9	1.44	27.4	207
14. Perth	40,800	12	5	11	4	2	9	11.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	3	67	43	55.7	0.69	16.8	126
15. Hamilton	40,600	16	8	6	1	4	9	11.6	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	390
16. Falkirk	37,400	13	8	13	1	..	12	16.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	175
17. Airdrie	31,700	11	9	4	..	3	7	11.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	131
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended June 19, 1954.	2,586,800	923	395	563	100	62	525	10.6	19	14	3	26	5	4	1	2	10	9	12	16	106	72	20	309	70†	38†	55.5‡	0.94‡	24.0‡	
June 12, 1954.	2,586,800	947	502	536	86	58	508	10.2	36	18	1	27	7	3	2	1	16	13	10	14	104	66	16	308	66†	37†	52.6‡	0.70‡	22.3‡	
June 20, 1953.	2,588,300	937	357	552	72	49	529	10.7	19	17	1	27	3	6	..	..	10	7	19	10	107	79	22	318	65†	44†	55.0‡	0.81‡	9.2‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952 § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 25

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 26th June 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 26th June 1954, the births of 892 living children, and of 26 still-born children, 441 marriages and 496 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.0 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 8.9 and the death-rate 10.0. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 28 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.6 less than in the previous week, and 0.8 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.9 more than in the previous week, but 0.8 below the average. The death-rate is 0.6 less than in the previous week, and 0.6 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 18.1 in Airdrie and 14.2 in Greenock to 6.0 in Motherwell & Wishaw and 1.2 in Kilmarnock. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Ayr 13.5 and in Aberdeen 12.1. In Glasgow the rate was 10.2 and in Edinburgh 10.3. There were no deaths in Hamilton.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 3 and are 1 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from meningococcal infections and 2 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 5, all of which were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 5 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 4 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 29, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.6 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, and the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 29, being 3 more than in the previous week. Of these, 14 were aged 0-6 days and 2 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 293, and are 16 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 20, and are the same as in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 22nd June 1954, was 12,513. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 54.8° being 0.7° below that for the previous week, and 0.6° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.95 inch, and the mean sunshine 16.6 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 25 **Week ended SATURDAY, June 26th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	6	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1
Aberdeen B.	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2	1	..	..	22	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	1
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Arbroath B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	19	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	1	..	10	1	..	..	..	..	22
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	20				7		1					4			7		1			10		10	3					25

Berwick C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	5	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	14
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	16	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	5
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	20	..	..	..	..	1	78	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	4	8	..	21	2	..	..	..	..	23
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	6
TOTAL	1	16	..	..	..	23	..	1	4	..	1	87	1	..	..	8	..	2	..	4	37	..	33	4	..	..	1	..	65
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	4
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	1	1	..	..	6	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	4
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumbarton B.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	2	3	..	..	1	5	..	1	..	..	..	6	1	..	..	12	..	..	..	1	4	..	7	3	..	..	..	..	19
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Glasgow B.	8	152	..	4	3	156	..	5	..	..	..	19	2	..	1	75	..	1	4	1	33	..	60	4	..	..	1	..	52
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	6
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4
Greenock B.	..	5	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	1	8	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	6
Paisley B.	..	14	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	1	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	11	174	..	5	4	208	..	11	..	..	1	38	3	..	1	109	5	3	5	3	72	..	116	14	..	..	1	..	104
GRAND TOTAL	14	210	..	5	4	243	..	18	4	..	2	125	8	..	1	131	7	7	5	7	143	..	173	22	..	..	2	..	195

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RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 26, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 22, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 22nd June 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	392	202	232	27	8	213	10.2	15	6	1	14	..	2	..	2	3	3	7	8	50	28	8	119	59	46	53.4	1.23	12.4	3,503
2. Edinburgh	470,500	158	75	102	16	7	93	10.3	5	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	24	13	2	61	62	46	55.3	0.44	27.2	895
3. Aberdeen	185,500	65	32	53	12	2	43	12.1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	2	9	8	1	25	65	42	54.4	0.89	22.7	563
4. Dundee	177,500	62	23	37	5	2	34	10.0	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	4	4	2	26	65	48	56.5	0.68	16.4	497
5. Paisley	94,500	34	14	22	8	1	15	8.3	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	3	1	9	61	48	55.1	1.01	11.8	369
6. Greenock	77,300	23	12	20	3	4	21	14.2	..	1	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	8	61	47	54.5	1.67	11.0	367
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	24	11	9	3	2	8	6.0	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	393
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	15	7	10	2	1	9	9.4	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	183
9. Coatbridge	49,300	21	8	6	..	4	10	10.6	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	262
10. Dunfermline	45,300	12	8	10	7	4	7	8.1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	3	61	47	54.8	0.66	15.4	219
11. Clydebank	46,400	11	6	6	1	2	7	7.9	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	196
12. Ayr	42,400	11	12	8	1	4	11	13.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	193
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	13	8	5	4	..	1	1.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	61	45	53.6	1.52	9.8	189
14. Perth	40,800	14	3	10	5	1	6	7.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	3	62	44	55.7	0.48	22.7	122
15. Hamilton	40,600	16	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	352
16. Falkirk	37,400	13	9	11	4	..	7	9.8	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	164
17. Airdrie	31,700	8	5	8	..	3	11	18.1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	1	1	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	155
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended June 26, 1954.	2,586,800	892	441	549	98	45	496	10.0	26	14	2	29	1	4	1	3	5	5	11	18	102	66	20	293	65†	42†	54.8‡	0.95‡	16.6‡	
June 19, 1954.	2,586,800	923	395	563	100	62	525	10.6	19	14	3	26	5	4	1	2	10	9	12	16	106	72	20	309	70†	38†	55.5‡	0.94‡	24.0‡	
June 27, 1953.	2,588,300	879	444	543	86	51	508	10.2	28	15	5	37	3	7	4	3	15	12	13	13	101	49	32	299	80†	48†	63.2‡	0.50‡	48.1‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952 § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 3rd July 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 3rd July 1954, the births of 888 living children, and of 24 still-born children, 582 marriages and 493 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.9 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 11.7 and the death-rate 9.9. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 26 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.3 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 2.8 more than in the previous week, and 0.2 above the average. The death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.4 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 18.4 in Ayr and 16.7 in Falkirk to 5.3 in Coatbridge and 2.3 in Dunfermline. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dundee 14.1 and in Kirkcaldy 13.5. In Glasgow the rate was 9.9 and in Edinburgh 9.8. There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous week 3 deaths were registered from these causes.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 16, of which 15 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 11 more than in the previous week, and the latter 10 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 26, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.5 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 21, being 8 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 16 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 290, and are 3 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 16, and are 4 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 29th June 1954, was 11,503. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 53.8°—being 1.0° below that for the previous week, and 2.3° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.48 inch, and the mean sunshine 34.0 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 26 **Week ended SATURDAY, July 3rd, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	4	..	7	1	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	1	..	..	1	5	..	13	2	..	..	..	..	7
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Arbroath B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	13	..	..	1	6	..	2	..	..	..	4	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	2	2	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	22
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	6
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	14	..	..	1	6	..	2	..	..	..	4	1	..	..	2	..	1	..	2	10	..	16	..	..	..	..	..	31

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fife C.	1	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	6	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	..	14
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	2	..	..	1	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	5	..	..	..	6	..	..	2	..	..	5	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	..	10
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	22	..	2	..	..	..	82	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	16	..	27	3	..	..	..	..	..	30
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	5	2	..	..	..	..	..	5
TOTAL	1	5	..	..	..	40	..	2	2	..	..	87	..	..	..	8	..	1	..	..	37	..	48	9	..	..	1	..	67
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	4	..	..	8	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	2
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	10	..	6	2	..	..	..	..	11
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	5	27	..	4	4	119	..	6	..	..	2	10	2	..	3	62	..	1	1	7	21	..	64	5	..	..	1	..	45
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	1
Greenock B.	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	3
Paisley B.	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	7	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	1
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	6	35	..	4	4	151	..	7	..	..	3	26	3	..	3	99	2	9	1	8	70	..	101	17	..	..	1	..	95
GRAND TOTAL	8	54	..	4	5	199	..	12	2	..	4	117	4	..	3	116	3	11	1	11	124	..	185	28	..	..	2	..	200

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 26

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 3, 1954

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 29, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 29th June 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	377	218	218	23	10	205	9.9	9	5	1	7	2	3	..	..	10	9	5	3	50	19	4	125	63	39	52.6	0.44	31.8	3,161
2. Edinburgh	470,500	132	124	104	20	4	88	9.8	4	2	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	20	10	2	53	61	43	53.0	0.20	35.1	888
3. Aberdeen	185,500	74	49	40	12	1	29	8.2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	5	7	4	17	71	43	52.5	0.38	30.5	531
4. Dundee	177,500	69	34	51	6	3	48	14.1	2	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	18	7	4	30	69	46	56.1	0.70	37.7	461
5. Paisley	94,500	27	21	18	4	2	16	8 8	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	4	3	..	8	65	43	54.5	0.44	35.5	274
6. Greenock	77,300	29	32	9	1	1	9	6.1	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	5	63	44	53.7	0.53	32.3	308
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	33	13	9	..	4	13	9.7	1	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	356
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	22	5	13	1	1	13	13.5	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	172
9. Coatbridge	49,300	18	5	5	1	1	5	5.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	239
10. Dunfermline	45,300	16	7	6	4	..	2	2.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	63	43	53.6	0.40	30.1	181
11. Clydebank	46,400	26	26	4	2	4	6	6.7	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	184
12. Ayr	42,400	10	11	11	2	6	15	18.4	..	1	..	2	1	1	..	..	2	2	1	2	2	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	203
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	7	5	6	2	4	8	9.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	6	64	40	52.8	0.26	34 3	163
14. Perth	40,800	12	5	12	5	1	8	10.2	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	7	67	41	55.6	1.01	38.8	112
15. Hamilton	40,600	14	13	6	1	5	10	12.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	1	2	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	388
16. Falkirk	37,400	13	5	17	8	3	12	16.7	..	2	..	2	..	2	..	..	1	1	1	..	3	1	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	152
17. Airdrie	31,700	9	15	2	..	4	6	9.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	117
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended July 3, 1954.	2,586,800	888	582	531	92	54	493	9.9	24	16	1	21	5	7	..	..	16	15	15	11	118	55	16	290	71†	39†	53.8‡	0.48‡	34.0‡	
June 26, 1954.	2,586,800	892	441	549	98	45	496	10.0	26	14	2	29	1	4	1	3	5	5	11	18	102	66	20	293	65†	42†	54.8‡	0.95‡	16.6‡	
July 4, 1953.	2,588,300	943	607	487	80	56	463	9.3	23	12	3	22	5	5	..	1	13	9	15	13	92	61	30	260	80†	43†	59.5‡	0.03‡	32.2‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1953. § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Measles, erysipelas, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 10th July 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 10th July 1954, the births of 921 living children, and of 31 still-born children, 595 marriages and 517 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.6 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 12.0 and the death-rate 10.4. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 33 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.7 more than in the previous week, but 0.4 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.3 more than in the previous week, but 0.9 below the average. The death-rate is 0.5 more than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 16.6 in Perth and 12.7 in Dunfermline to 6.3 in Coatbridge and 6.1 in Ayr. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Paisley 12.1 and in Edinburgh and Kirkcaldy 11.4. In Glasgow the rate was 11.2.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous week there were also no deaths registered from these causes.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 12, of which 10 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 4 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 5 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 27, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.5 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, and the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 29, being 8 more than in the previous week. Of these, 19 were aged 0-6 days and 2 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 305, and are 15 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 27, and are 11 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 6th July 1954, was 11,013. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 54.2° being 0.4° above that for the previous week, but 3.4° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.61 inch, and the mean sunshine 25.6 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 27 **Week ended SATURDAY, July 10th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	5
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	5	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	2
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	3	2	..	..	9	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	8
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	2	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	22
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	2	..	..	..	7	..	4					1			2					15		5	3					33

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	7	..	6	2	..	..	..	..	10
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	13	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	9
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	47	..	..	..	6	..	2	..	5	..	15	4	..	..	1	..	14
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	4
TOTAL	..	13	..	..	..	38	..	2	..	..	..	57	..	..	..	10	..	3	..	..	28	..	34	8	..	..	1	..	58
WESTERN REGION.—																												
Argyll C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	2	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	1	1	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	9	..	3	..	8	..	8	2	..	..	..	..	9
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	4	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	8	10	..	5	2	83	..	1	..	..	1	12	3	..	..	58	..	2	3	17	..	50	4	..	..	..	..	34
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	5
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Renfrew C.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	2
Greenock B.	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
Paisley B.	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	7	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	14	19	..	5	2	103	..	4	..	..	5	17	7	..	..	86	3	7	5	1	57	..	97	11	..	..	1	..	67
GRAND TOTAL	15	34	..	5	2	148	..	10	..	..	5	74	8	..	..	102	6	12	5	1	111	..	150	22	..	..	2	..	171

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 10, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 6, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 6th July 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	435	236	251	32	15	234	11.2	16	7	2	13	5	3	..	..	9	7	5	7	45	30	14	136	62	39	53.7	0.82	24.1	3,112
2. Edinburgh	470,500	133	155	114	15	4	103	11.4	3	4	..	4	3	..	..	..	1	1	1	5	25	13	5	67	64	42	53.9	0.58	21.3	758
3. Aberdeen	185,500	52	44	31	10	2	23	6.5	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	6	1	15	64	41	53.1	0.63	32.6	453
4. Dundee	177,500	60	26	36	6	2	32	9.4	1	3	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	3	..	20	64	45	55.7	0.32	21.1	457
5. Paisley	94,500	39	21	28	10	4	22	12.1	2	3	..	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2	..	10	65	41	55.8	0.43	25.2	283
6. Greenock	77,300	39	13	13	..	2	15	10.1	3	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	2	1	6	64	41	54.7	0.57	32.7	279
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	21	5	9	1	2	10	7.5	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	1	2	6	..	..	..	..	..	388
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	12	11	11	4	4	11	11.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	179
9. Coatbridge	49,300	23	5	4	..	2	6	6.3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	189
10. Dunfermline	45,300	10	5	11	1	1	11	12.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	2	6	63	40	53.7	0.68	21.3	193
11. Clydebank	46,400	13	7	5	1	4	8	9.0	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	168
12. Ayr	42,400	11	9	5	1	1	5	6.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	165
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	14	2	8	2	2	8	9.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	5	66	37	54.0	0.68	34.8	176
14. Perth	40,800	11	19	14	5	4	13	16.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	1	2	3	..	10	65	40	53.4	0.82	17.7	94
15. Hamilton	40,600	20	6	4	..	3	7	9.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	2	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	334
16. Falkirk	37,400	15	27	5	2	2	5	7.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	157
17. Airdrie	31,700	13	4	3	..	1	4	6.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	118
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended July 10, 1954.	2,586,800	921	595	552	90	55	517	10.4	31	19	2	29	13	4	..	..	12	10	11	16	110	67	27	305	66†	37†	54.2‡	0.61‡	25.6‡	
July 3, 1954.	2,586,800	888	582	531	92	54	493	9.9	24	16	1	21	5	7	..	..	16	15	15	11	118	55	16	290	71†	39†	53.8‡	0.48‡	34.0‡	
July 11, 1953.	2,588,300	921	521	529	83	63	509	10.3	23	22	2	31	6	6	2	2	15	13	9	11	109	56	25	285	68†	44†	58.0‡	1.45‡	29.8‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952. § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 28

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 17th July 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 17th July 1954, the births of 905 living children, and of 23 still-born children, 623 marriages and 480 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.2 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 12.6 and the death-rate 9.7. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 25 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.4 less than in the previous week, but 0.6 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.6 more than in the previous week, and 0.9 above the average. The death-rate is 0.7 less than in the previous week, and 0.1 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 17.1 in Kilmarnock and 12.1 in Greenock to 7.0 in Falkirk and 6.6 in Airdrie. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Edinburgh 12.0 and in Hamilton 11.6. In Glasgow the rate was 8.7.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1 and are 1 more than in the previous week. The death registered was from whooping cough.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 10, of which 8 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 2 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 2 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 24, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.5 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 28, being 1 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 24 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 271, and are 34 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 27, and are the same as in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 13th July 1954, was 10,254. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 57.0° being 2.8° above that for the previous week, but 1.6° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.37 inch, and the mean sunshine 35.1 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 28 **Week ended SATURDAY, July 17th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	..
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	1	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	2	2	..	..	7	..	10	1	..	..	..	..	3
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	5	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	5	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	12
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	22
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	5	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	16	..	9	1	..	..	..	..	34

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	4	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	29
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	6	..	..	..	5	1	..	..	..	1	5	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	13
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	23
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	1	..	..	..	29	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	8	..	18	..	..	..	..	1	..	19
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
TOTAL	..	6	..	..	..	20	1	4	..	..	1	35	1	..	..	9	..	1	..	..	18	..	25	2	..	..	1	..	86
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	1	3	..	3	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	3	4	..	11	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	4	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Glasgow B.	8	7	..	3	1	84	..	6	..	..	1	11	..	..	..	31	..	1	3	3	21	..	49	2	..	..	..	..	27
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	3	3	..	..	..	..	7
Paisley B.	..	3	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Falkirk B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	9	13	..	3	4	115	..	11	..	..	3	17	..	..	1	50	10	6	6	3	48	..	102	14	..	..	..	..	63
GRAND TOTAL	9	24	..	3	4	142	1	17	..	..	5	52	5	..	1	68	13	9	6	3	89	..	151	19	..	..	1	..	186

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 28

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 17, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 13, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 13th July 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow .	1,085,000	341	299	182	15	13	180	8.7	11	12	1	15	6	3	..	1	4	4	5	4	41	25	11	91	68	44	55.9	0.45	33.6	2,840
2. Edinburgh	470,500	153	73	117	15	6	108	12.9	3	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	2	27	11	9	69	67	49	57.4	0.15	40.3	724
3. Aberdeen .	185,500	83	63	41	14	6	33	9.3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	3	3	1	18	65	45	56.1	0.46	44.4	382
4. Dundee .	177,500	64	23	31	2	2	31	9.1	3	4	..	4	3	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	7	1	16	66	50	59.1	0.39	42.6	434
5. Paisley .	94,500	37	26	16	3	1	14	7.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	..	10	72	46	57.9	0.33	27.1	250
6. Greenock .	77,300	32	5	19	5	4	18	12.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	6	2	7	65	48	56.7	0.61	26.4	176
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	25	33	10	1	5	14	10.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	1	2	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	402
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	21	18	10	4	2	8	8.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	174
9. Coatbridge	49,300	25	15	7	2	3	8	8.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	209
10. Dunfermline	45,300	14	16	11	2	1	10	11.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	5	67	45	56.9	0.28	35.1	149
11. Clydebank	46,400	20	8	5	1	5	9	10.1	..	3	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	89
12. Ayr . .	42,400	16	9	9	2	2	9	11.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	198
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	18	3	14	2	2	14	17.1	..	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	3	1	..	7	66	43	55.8	0.34	30.0	165
14. Perth .	40,800	14	4	11	5	..	6	7.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	5	70	42	57.2	0.28	36.5	105
15. Hamilton .	40,600	13	5	7	..	2	9	11.6	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	1	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	376
16. Falkirk .	37,400	12	10	6	2	1	5	7.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	109
17. Airdrie .	31,700	17	13	2	..	2	4	6.6	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	121
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended July 17, 1954.	2,586,800	905	623	498	75	57	480	9.7	23	24	1	28	9	5	..	1	10	8	13	11	94	71	27	271	72†	42†	57.0‡	0.37‡	35.1‡	
July 10, 1954.	2,586,800	921	595	552	90	55	517	10.4	31	19	2	29	13	4	..	..	12	10	11	16	110	67	27	305	66†	37†	54.2‡	0.61‡	25.6‡	
July 11, 1953.	2,588,300	921	521	529	83	63	509	10.3	23	22	2	31	6	6	2	2	15	13	9	11	109	56	25	285	68†	44†	58.0‡	1.45‡	29.8‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952 § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 24th July 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 24th July 1954, the births of 970 living children, and of 27 still-born children, 905 marriages and 569 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.6 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 18.2 and the death-rate 11.5. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 27 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.4 more than in the previous week, and 0.8 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 5.6 more than in the previous week, and 2.1 above the average. The death-rate is 1.8 more than in the previous week, and 1.1 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 14.8 in Coatbridge and Airdrie and 13.5 in Ayr to 8.1 in Dunfermline and 6.7 in Aberdeen. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Kilmarnock 13.4 and in Perth and Hamilton 12.8. In Glasgow the rate was 12.6 and in Edinburgh 11.1.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1 and are the same as in the previous week. The death registered was from meningococcal infections.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 11, of which 10 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 more than in the previous week, and the latter 2 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 40, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.8 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.3 more than in the previous week, and 0.3 above the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 25, being 3 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 11 were aged 0-6 days and 2 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 369, and are 98 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 20, and are 7 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 20th July 1954, was 10,228. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 57.2° being 0.2° above that for the previous week, but 1.9° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.67 inch, and the mean sunshine 35.9 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 29 **Week ended SATURDAY, July 24th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	2
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	6	..	8	..	..	..	2	..	3
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	3	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	3	..	..	1	4	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	5
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	4
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	2	..	1	..	2	4	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	13

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	8	1	2	..	..	3	..	3	4	..	..	..	..	21
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	1	3	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	23	..	5	..	..	..	26	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	1	4	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	15
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	3	..	..	..	..	4
TOTAL	..	1	..	..	..	37	..	9	3	..	3	36	1	..	..	13	1	4	1	1	13	..	30	7	..	..	..	..	61
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Lanark C.	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	11	..	2	..	1	4	..	9	2	..	..	..	..	17
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Glasgow B.	11	18	..	1	6	127	..	2	..	..	1	20	3	..	1	60	..	6	8	2	18	..	41	4	..	..	..	..	34
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	3	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	1	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	1	3	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	1	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	12	19	..	1	8	171	..	3	..	..	1	26	4	..	1	83	10	15	8	4	51	..	83	6	..	..	1	..	73
GRAND TOTAL	14	20	..	1	8	210	..	14	3	..	4	62	14	..	1	107	15	20	9	8	78	..	133	14	..	..	3	..	155

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 29

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 24, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 20, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 20th July 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	473	525	279	29	13	263	12.6	17	5	2	15	2	3	..	1	7	6	8	10	54	35	7	158	67	46	56.1	1.00	32.9	2,458
2. Edinburgh	470,500	118	86	118	19	1	100	11.1	2	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	2	2	2	2	23	17	3	68	66	47	57.0	0.35	36.6	766
3. Aberdeen	185,500	59	41	34	11	1	24	6.7	2	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	6	..	14	73	41	56.5	0.15	45.3	345
4. Dundee	177,500	56	62	31	1	3	33	9.7	1	3	..	4	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	3	6	3	2	21	70	47	59.5	0.31	46.2	422
5. Paisley	94,500	38	20	20	4	..	16	8.8	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	1	12	68	48	58.4	0.75	29.2	246
6. Greenock	77,300	27	8	17	2	2	17	11.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	1	3	1	2	12	67	48	56.7	1.10	27.5	246
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	24	25	15	1	2	16	12.0	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	2	1	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	385
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	22	19	12	3	1	10	10.4	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	167
9. Coatbridge	49,300	21	26	11	..	3	14	14.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	4	1	9	..	..	..	..	..	271
10. Dunfermline	45,300	15	11	7	2	2	7	8.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	7	67	46	56.4	0.46	31.0	155
11. Clydebank	46,400	30	4	3	..	6	9	10.1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	109
12. Ayr	42,400	18	18	10	1	2	11	13.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	1	1	10	..	..	..	..	..	204
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	11	4	13	4	2	11	13.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	..	7	69	45	56.3	1.61	29.6	159
14. Perth	40,800	12	6	15	7	2	10	12.8	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	1	7	67	47	58.0	0.30	44.4	109
15. Hamilton	40,600	25	24	5	..	5	10	12.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	1	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	398
16. Falkirk	37,400	6	7	12	4	1	9	12.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	123
17. Airdrie	31,700	15	19	4	..	5	9	14.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	139
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended July 24, 1954.	2,586,800	970	905	606	88	51	569	11.5	27	11	2	25	2	9	..	1	11	10	16	24	114	82	20	369	73†	41†	57.2‡	0.67‡	35.9‡	
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July 25, 1953.	2,588,300	967	923	565	102	50	513	10.3	19	15	4	24	8	6	1	1	10	8	10	16	93	69	17	309	68†	44†	58.1‡	1.05‡	26.3‡	

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Week ended Saturday, 31st July 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 31st July 1954, the births of 967 living children, and of 24 still-born children, 511 marriages and 528 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.5 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 10.3 and the death-rate 10.6. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 24 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.1 less than in the previous week, but 1.9 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 7.9 less than in the previous week, and 0.2 below the average. The death-rate is 0.9 less than in the previous week, but 0.8 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 22.1 in Ayr and 20.4 in Perth to 7.0 in Falkirk and 4.5 in Clydebank. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dunfermline 16.1 and in Kilmarnock 15.9. In Glasgow the rate was 10.1 and in Edinburgh 8.9.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous week 1 death was registered from these causes.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 11, all of which were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are the same as in the previous week, but the latter 1 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 24, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.5 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.3 less than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 23, being 2 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 17 were aged 0-6 days but there were none aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 317, and are 52 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 16, and are 4 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 27th July 1954, was 9,247. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 55.1° being 2.1° below that for the previous week, and 2.8° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.03 inches, and the mean sunshine 25.7 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 30 **Week ended SATURDAY, July 31st, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	4	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	12
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	2	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	20
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	2	2	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Perth and Kinross C.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	23
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	3	2	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	5	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	28

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fife C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	13
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.	..	5	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	16	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	9
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	2	..	..	1	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	10	..	15	2	..	..	..	..	21
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
TOTAL	1	5	..	..	..	19	..	4	1	..	1	26	..	..	..	5	..	1	1	..	29	..	19	3	..	..	3	..	64
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	2	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	5	..	1	1	1	5	..	14	2	..	..	..	..	11
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	5	7	..	5	1	90	..	2	..	..	..	21	1	..	..	49	..	1	1	5	11	..	57	4	1	..	..	..	29
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	1
Greenock B.	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	11
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	21	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	5	7	..	5	1	149	..	6	1	..	1	26	3	..	..	72	9	5	3	6	46	..	104	14	2	..	..	..	70
GRAND TOTAL	9	15	..	5	1	176	..	11	2	..	2	54	4	..	..	82	10	8	5	7	86	..	141	18	2	..	3	..	182

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 31, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 27, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 27th July 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	470	151	215	25	20	210	10.1	10	6	..	11	3	3	1	..	7	7	5	5	38	25	7	120	62	43	53.9	0.92	18.7	2,424
2. Edinburgh	470,500	129	92	88	10	2	80	8.9	3	3	..	4	2	1	..	..	2	2	2	1	20	11	3	48	63	48	55.4	0.58	31.9	917
3. Aberdeen	185,500	50	34	58	12	..	46	12.9	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	3	9	8	1	29	68	41	53.8	1.40	33.9	363
4. Dundee	177,500	61	86	41	5	4	40	11.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	12	7	..	24	68	48	56.4	1.44	30.0	317
5. Paisley	94,500	23	46	18	4	2	16	8.8	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	5	..	8	66	45	55.9	1.10	15.8	234
6. Greenock	77,300	28	13	19	3	1	17	11.5	1	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	..	1	11	65	48	55.2	0.75	24.7	328
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	28	6	10	..	3	13	9.7	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	235
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	24	6	13	2	..	11	11.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	9	..	..	..	..	..	96
9. Coatbridge	49,300	32	5	5	1	4	8	8.5	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	161
10. Dunfermline	45,300	19	10	16	3	1	14	16.1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	1	1	6	63	44	54.9	0.76	29.0	108
11. Clydebank	46,400	18	4	4	1	1	4	4.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	217
12. Ayr	42,400	13	13	20	4	2	18	22.1	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	4	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	123
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	14	25	14	2	1	13	15.2	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	..	7	64	45	54.0	1.64	16.0	151
14. Perth	40,800	20	8	18	4	2	16	20.4	..	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	3	..	11	67	41	56.0	0.65	30.9	100
15. Hamilton	40,600	18	6	9	..	1	10	12.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	263
16. Falkirk	37,400	11	3	8	4	1	5	7.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	165
17. Airdrie	31,700	9	3	5	..	2	7	11.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	73
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended July 31, 1954.	2,586,800	967	511	561	80	47	528	10.6	24	17	..	23	10	4	1	..	11	11	9	15	104	75	16	317	68†	41†	55.1‡	1.03‡	25.7‡	
July 24, 1954.	2,586,800	970	905	606	88	51	569	11.5	27	11	2	25	2	9	..	1	11	10	16	24	114	82	20	369	73†	41†	57.2‡	0.67‡	35.9‡	
Aug. 1, 1953.	2,588,300	921	438	475	65	45	455	9.2	23	15	1	24	5	7	1	..	11	10	6	9	97	62	23	259	70†	44†	57.0‡	0.70‡	41.6‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 31

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 7th August 1954

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 7th August 1954, the births of 891 living children, and of 31 still-born children, 571 marriages and 548 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.0 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 11.5 and the death-rate 11.0. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 34 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.5 less than in the previous week, but 0.6 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.2 more than in the previous week, and 1.1 above the average. The death-rate is 0.4 more than in the previous week, and 1.4 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 18.1 in Falkirk and 15.7 in Clydebank to 6.0 in Motherwell & Wishaw and 4.6 in Dunfermline. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Ayr 13.5 and in Paisley and Coatbridge 12.7. In Glasgow the rate was 10.8 and in Edinburgh 12.6.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2 and are 2 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from meningococcal infections and 1 from influenza. There was also 1 death from bacillary dysentery.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 13, of which 11 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 2 more than in the previous week, but the latter are the same.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 34, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.7 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 more than in the previous week, and 0.2 above the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 41, being 18 more than in the previous week. Of these, 24 were aged 0-6 days and 4 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 308, and are 9 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 27, and are 11 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 3rd August 1954, was 8,950. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 57.5° being 2.4° above that for the previous week, but 0.5° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.33 inches, and the mean sunshine 36.0 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 31 **Week ended SATURDAY, August 7th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	3	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	1
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	7	1	1	..	..	1	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	4
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	6	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	5	3	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	1	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	7
Perth and Kinross C.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	19
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	6	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	5	3	..	..	4	..	4	..	..	6	..	10	2	..	..	..	..	29

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	12
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	3	..	..	5	11	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	2	..	13	5	..	..	1	..	14
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	3	..	..	..	14	..	3	2	..	6	14	1	..	..	9	..	5	..	1	18	..	24	6	..	..	1	..	33
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	6	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	6
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	4
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	5	..	10	4	..	..	..	..	8
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Glasgow B.	11	7	..	2	5	81	..	5	..	..	2	8	1	..	2	50	..	..	3	3	10	..	31	2	1	..	..	..	33
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	6
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	11	14	..	2	5	111	..	7	..	..	5	11	3	..	2	67	4	3	3	5	42	..	67	11	2	..	..	..	64
GRAND TOTAL	12	23	..	2	5	124	..	11	2	..	12	30	7	..	2	89	5	14	3	6	70	..	106	23	2	..	1	..	131

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 31

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 7, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 3, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature °Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature °Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature °Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 3rd Aug. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	404	207	246	37	15	224	10.8	14	9	2	19	2	5	..	1	9	7	11	6	53	32	10	124	67	46	56.6	2.10	30.7	2,368
2. Edinburgh	470,500	138	144	122	16	8	114	12.6	3	3	..	3	1	2	..	..	1	1	3	3	28	23	5	66	67	48	57.4	0.56	44.7	829
3. Aberdeen	185,500	43	49	48	11	1	38	10.7	7	2	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	1	7	6	1	23	69	47	56.6	0.45	34.9	398
4. Dundee	177,500	71	22	39	3	6	42	12.3	1	2	..	2	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	7	3	27	70	48	57.8	1.16	36.6	241
5. Paisley	94,500	42	45	27	8	4	23	12.7	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	13	69	49	58.6	2.21	33.2	203
6. Greenock	77,300	26	17	13	3	..	10	6.7	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	1	8	66	50	57.9	1.43	36.2	343
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	12	7	10	4	2	8	6.0	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	2	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	238
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	20	4	7	2	4	9	9.4	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	119
9. Coatbridge	49,300	20	4	9	1	4	12	12.7	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	155
10. Dunfermline	45,300	18	18	6	4	2	4	4.6	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	3	67	45	57.1	0.85	39.8	106
11. Clydebank	46,400	20	5	9	1	6	14	15.7	2	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	2	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	171
12. Ayr	42,400	14	15	9	2	4	11	13.5	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	126
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	14	5	10	3	..	7	8.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	5	66	48	57.2	1.73	30.9	112
14. Perth	40,800	16	9	10	5	1	6	7.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	1	..	3	72	45	57.9	1.48	37.3	104
15. Hamilton	40,600	18	14	2	..	4	6	7.7	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	286
16. Falkirk	37,400	8	5	14	1	..	13	18.1	..	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	145
17. Airdrie	31,700	7	1	4	1	4	7	11.5	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	102
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Aug. 7, 1954.	2,586,800	891	571	585	102	65	548	11.0	31	24	4	41	6	12	..	2	13	11	19	15	124	84	27	308	72†	45†	57.5‡	1.33‡	36.0‡	
July 31, 1954.	2,586,800	967	511	561	80	47	528	10.6	24	17	..	23	10	4	1	..	11	11	9	15	104	75	16	317	68†	41†	55.1‡	1.03‡	25.7‡	
Aug. 8, 1953.	2,588,300	872	528	549	101	54	502	10.1	28	14	3	24	5	8	2	..	12	11	14	8	100	64	29	302	79†	45†	61.1‡	0.16‡	39.9‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 32

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 14th August 1954

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 14th August 1954, the births of 907 living children, and of 20 stillborn children, 449 marriages and 476 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.3 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 9.1 and the death-rate 9.6. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 22 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.3 more than in the previous week, and 0.6 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 2.4 less than in the previous week, and 0.9 below the average. The death-rate is 1.4 less than in the previous week, and 0.3 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 15.0 in Motherwell & Wishaw and 14.7 in Ayr to 6.7 in Clydebank and 6.6 in Paisley. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Kirkcaldy 13.5 and in Greenock 12.1. In Glasgow the rate was 8.8 and in Edinburgh 10.3.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 3 and are 1 more than in the previous week. They include 2 from whooping cough and 1 from influenza. There was also 1 death from acute poliomyelitis.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 7, of which 6 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 6 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 5 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 26, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.5 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week, and 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 24, being 17 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 12 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 282, and are 26 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 31, and are 4 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 10th August 1954, was 11,507. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 55.4° being 2.1° below that for the previous week, and 3.0° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.13 inches, and the mean sunshine 25.4 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 32 **Week ended SATURDAY, August 14th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
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Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	3	..	..	..	..	13
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
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East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
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Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.	..	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	8
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	1	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	3	3	12	..	..	..	..	..	19
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	1	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	10	..	..	1	..	6	4	..	..	..	..	..	12
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Glasgow B.	4	14	..	1	5	81	..	5	..	..	1	20	..	..	1	41	..	1	6	7	14	..	39	3	..	..	..	31
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	4
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	7
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
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TOTAL	5	19	..	1	7	101	..	6	..	..	3	26	1	..	2	59	4	11	7	7	44	..	64	3	..	..	..	..	65
GRAND TOTAL	7	23	..	1	8	112	..	9	..	..	6	46	3	..	2	69	5	22	7	11	69	..	88	9	..	..	..	..	134

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 32

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 14, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 10, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 10th Aug. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	405	180	202	31	13	184	8.8	8	8	1	15	4	4	2	2	4	3	7	4	31	28	6	103	65	42	54.4	1.43	26.7	3,605
2. Edinburgh	470,500	146	92	110	23	6	93	10.3	2	2	..	3	1	..	..	..	3	3	4	3	11	18	11	59	62	46	55.0	1.91	28.2	936
3. Aberdeen	185,500	63	46	34	7	..	27	7.6	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	8	4	..	19	63	46	54.1	1.22	10.4	464
4. Dundee	177,500	48	21	42	6	4	40	11.7	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	7	10	4	24	64	45	54.6	1.29	17.0	389
5. Paisley	94,500	36	6	17	6	1	12	6.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	1	8	70	44	57.2	0.70	32.4	152
6. Greenock	77,300	21	14	21	3	..	18	12.1	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	13	65	47	56.5	1.05	37.7	334
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	21	7	16	1	5	20	15.0	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	440
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	14	13	12	..	1	13	13.5	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	3	6	..	..	..	..	..	191
9. Coatbridge	49,300	20	7	8	1	4	11	11.6	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	233
10. Dunfermline	45,300	12	11	14	5	1	10	11.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	6	67	44	55.7	0.93	26.2	131
11. Clydebank	46,400	24	6	6	3	3	6	6.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	215
12. Ayr	42,400	17	11	12	3	3	12	14.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	193
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	16	5	6	1	2	7	8.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	4	66	43	56.0	0.84	32.2	72
14. Perth	40,800	19	9	10	5	1	6	7.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	2	65	42	55.5	0.80	17.8	116
15. Hamilton	40,600	17	6	6	1	1	6	7.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	384
16. Falkirk	37,400	13	14	7	2	1	6	8.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	161
17. Airdrie	31,700	15	1	4	..	1	5	8.2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	128
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Aug. 14, 1954	2,586,800	907	449	527	98	47	476	9.6	20	12	1	24	6	4	3	3	7	6	14	12	82	70	31	282	70†	42†	55.4‡	1.13‡	25.4‡	
Aug. 7, 1954	2,586,800	891	571	585	102	65	548	11.0	31	24	4	41	6	12	..	2	13	11	19	15	124	84	27	308	72†	45†	57.5‡	1.33‡	36.0‡	
Aug. 15, 1953	2,588,300	857	396	520	102	65	483	9.7	20	27	2	33	5	6	..	1	11	11	17	17	90	65	23	252	76†	46†	61.0‡	0.37‡	31.4‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952 § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 33

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND:

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 21st August 1954

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 21st August 1954, the births of 889 living children, and of 27 stillborn children, 408 marriages and 485 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.9 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 8.2 and the death-rate 9.8. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 29 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.4 less than in the previous week, but 1.1 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.9 less than in the previous week, and 0.2 below the average. The death-rate is 0.2 more than in the previous week, but 0.2 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 14.8 in Airdrie and 14.2 in Motherwell & Wishaw to 7.6 in Aberdeen and 6.1 in Kilmarnock. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Kirkcaldy 13.5 and in Greenock and Perth 12.8. In Glasgow the rate was 8.6 and in Edinburgh 11.6.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2 and are 1 fewer than in the previous week. They include 1 from whooping cough and 1 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 10, of which 8 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 3 more than in the previous week, and the latter 2 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 18, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.4 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 20, being 4 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 12 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 272, and are 10 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 23, and are 8 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 17th August 1954, was 11,342. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 53.3° being 2.1° below that for the previous week, and 4.3° below the average for corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.99 inch, and the mean sunshine 17.8 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 33 **Week ended SATURDAY, August 21st, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
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Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	5	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	4	3	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	5
Perth and Kinross C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	2	5	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	4	4	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	4	..	6	3	..	..	..	..	8

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	3	..	..	..	..	7
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	..
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	8
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	1	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	3	..	4	..	3	6	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	31
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	2	..	..	..	10	..	..	3	4	..	5	..	3	12	..	24	4	..	..	..	..	52
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	12
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Lanark C.	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	5	..	11	3	1	..	..	..	8
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	8	11	..	1	3	117	..	2	..	..	1	22	1	..	..	26	..	3	1	7	20	..	37	5	..	..	..	..	39
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	2	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	10
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	9
Falkirk B.	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	2
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	9	19	..	1	3	147	..	2	..	..	1	26	2	..	1	44	8	6	2	7	47	..	69	10	1	..	2	..	92
GRAND TOTAL	11	24	..	1	4	160	..	4	..	..	2	40	7	..	4	58	9	15	2	10	72	..	103	18	1	..	2	..	156

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 21, 1954

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 17, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	7-27 days	Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Congenital Malformations	Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Tuberculosis: All Forms	Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Pneumonia	Other Respiratory Diseases	Malignant Neoplasms	Coronary Thrombosis	Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Absolute Lowest	Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 17th Aug. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	397	179	196	37	20	179	8.6	15	4	2	11	2	5	1	1	7	5	3	2	51	18	12	87	64	41	53.0	1.49	16.3	3,302
2. Edinburgh	470,500	138	80	114	16	7	105	11.6	3	2	..	2	1	..	..	1	..	..	5	3	21	13	5	72	56	41	51.9	2.09	11.3	916
3. Aberdeen	185,500	66	32	35	11	3	27	7.6	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	6	1	17	58	35	51.6	0.28	22.0	520
4. Dundee	177,500	60	27	28	2	5	31	9.1	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	7	3	..	21	63	45	54.1	0.35	29.6	562
5. Paisley	94,500	29	6	18	2	4	20	11.0	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	3	..	14	67	43	55.0	1.59	14.0	177
6. Greenock	77,300	22	12	19	3	3	19	12.8	1	1	1	2	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	3	1	10	65	44	54.9	0.88	19.1	303
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	23	13	12	..	7	19	14.2	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	2	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	372
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	17	9	11	1	3	13	13.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	3	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	158
9. Coatbridge	49,300	22	1	7	3	6	10	10.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	238
10. Dunfermline	45,300	14	7	16	7	..	9	10.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	7	61	45	53.4	0.88	11.2	134
11. Clydebank	46,400	19	5	5	2	4	7	7.9	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	227
12. Ayr	42,400	15	7	8	1	1	8	9.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	186
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	13	2	6	2	1	5	6.1	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	2	65	42	53.1	0.48	17.1	124
14. Perth	40,800	15	9	9	2	3	10	12.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	2	..	3	62	36	53.1	0.89	19.8	93
15. Hamilton	40,600	10	5	4	..	3	7	9.0	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	399
16. Falkirk	37,400	18	11	9	2	..	7	9.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	143
17. Airdrie	31,700	11	3	3	..	6	9	14.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	148
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Aug. 21, 1954.	2,586,800	889	408	500	91	76	485	9.8	27	12	3	20	5	6	1	2	10	8	11	7	123	60	23	272	67†	35†	53.3‡	0.99‡	17.8‡	
Aug. 14, 1954.	2,586,800	907	449	527	98	47	476	9.6	20	12	1	24	6	4	3	3	7	6	14	12	82	70	31	282	70†	42†	55.4‡	1.13‡	25.4‡	
Aug. 22, 1953.	2,588,300	820	440	513	87	55	481	9.7	16	14	3	27	2	10	2	2	16	13	16	11	111	42	23	264	70†	43†	56.5‡	0.88‡	31.6‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952.

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 34

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 28th August 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the ate of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered dur- ng the week ended 28th August 1954, the births of 883 living children, and of 26 tillborn children, 425 marriages and 468 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths nd deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equiva- ent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.8 per thousand of the population, he marriage-rate 8.6 and the death-rate 9.4. The number of stillbirths corres- onds to a rate of 29 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.1 less than in the previous week, but 0.7 above he five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.4 more than in the previous week, ut 0.5 below the average. The death-rate is 0.4 less than in the previous week, nd 0.7 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 18.4 in Ayr and 3.5 in Clydebank to 3.5 in Dunfermline and 3.2 in Coatbridge. Relatively high eath-rates occurred in Motherwell & Wishaw 12.7 and in Falkirk 12.6. In Glas- ow the rate was 9.4 and in Edinburgh 10.3.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous eek 2 deaths were registered from these causes.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 9, of which 7 were from tuber- ulosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 fewer than in the previous eek, and the latter 1 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malig- ant) numbered 31, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.6 er thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 more than in the previous week, and the ame as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 25, being 5 fewer than n the previous week. Of these, 11 were aged 0-6 days and 2 were aged 7-27 days. eaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 270, and are 2 fewer han in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 28, and are 5 more than in the revious week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance cts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance n Scotland during the week ended 24th August 1954, was 12,023. The number f such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page f this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 56.8° eing 3.5° above that for the previous week, and 0.1° above the average for the orresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.45 inch, and the mean sunshine 18.3 hours.

OTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 34 — **Week ended SATURDAY, August 28th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	1
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	1
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	3	..	8	4	..	..	..	..	7
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	2	..	..	1	4	..	2	..	..	..	4	3	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	2	..	6	3	..	..	..	..	11
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
TOTAL	1	2			3	4		5				4	3			2		1		1	3		8	3					23

Berwick C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	3	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	6
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.	..	6	..	..	..	3	..	1	2	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	6
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	11	..	..	..	2	..	28
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	6	..	..	..	21	..	2	2	..	..	10	..	..	..	4	1	2	1	..	16	..	25	1	..	..	2	..	53
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	2
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Lanark C.	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	3	3	..	1	7	..	2	1	..	3	..	11	2	..	..	..	..	3
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	1	1	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	3	50	..	3	1	110	..	2	..	..	1	72	1	..	1	47	..	2	4	2	15	..	28	5	..	..	..	..	69
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5	2	..	..	3	..	1
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	4	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	1
Greenock B.	..	5	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	13
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	..	..	..	8	..	5	4	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	3	57	..	3	1	143	..	5	..	..	2	81	4	..	3	61	8	9	6	3	49	..	75	15	..	..	3	..	99
GRAND TOTAL	4	65	..	3	4	180	..	12	3	..	2	96	7	..	3	70	9	14	7	4	71	..	117	23	..	..	5	..	188

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 34

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 28, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 24, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 24th Aug. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	394	163	202	24	18	196	9.4	12	6	1	14	2	3	1	..	5	4	7	11	33	25	12	111	70	48	56.4	0.47	12.1	3,503
2. Edinburgh	470,500	115	79	106	17	4	93	10.3	4	2	..	4	1	..	..	..	1	1	2	1	26	12	3	67	69	50	56.5	0.40	13.5	832
3. Aberdeen	185,500	61	40	34	14	2	22	6.2	1	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	5	1	16	73	43	55.9	0.83	23.0	428
4. Dundee	177,500	69	31	43	9	5	39	11.5	2	1	..	2	1	..	1	..	1	1	5	..	12	6	3	16	68	46	55.4	0.22	27.3	476
5. Paisley	94,500	36	9	13	4	2	11	6 1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	1	4	72	50	58.1	0.26	18.8	351
6. Greenock	77,300	33	20	17	4	1	14	9.4	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	1	9	68	50	58.3	0.70	21.7	364
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	33	9	10	1	8	17	12.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	4	3	2	7	..	..	..	..	..	411
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	15	8	11	1	..	10	10.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	2	5	..	..	..	..	..	169
9. Coatbridge	49,300	16	6	3	..	..	3	3.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	202
10. Dunfermline	45,300	13	10	7	5	1	3	3.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	70	50	57.0	0.16	13.1	166
11. Clydebank	46,400	18	7	8	1	5	12	13.5	..	1	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	225
12. Ayr	42,400	12	7	18	4	1	15	18.4	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	1	1	..	3	3	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	201
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	17	6	12	5	1	8	9.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	5	69	43	56.5	0.74	18.0	190
14. Perth	40,800	8	10	11	4	..	7	8.9	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	2	..	4	69	48	57.3	0.30	17.2	103
15. Hamilton	40,600	19	4	3	1	2	4	5.1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	398
16. Falkirk	37,400	10	12	13	5	1	9	12.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	178
17. Airdrie	31,700	14	4	5	..	..	5	8.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	135
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Aug. 28, 1954.	2,586,800	883	425	516	99	51	468	9.4	26	11	2	25	4	7	2	..	9	7	18	13	103	66	28	270	73†	43†	56.8‡	0.45‡	18.3‡	
Aug. 21, 1954.	2,586,800	889	408	500	91	76	485	9.8	27	12	3	20	5	6	1	2	10	8	11	7	123	60	23	272	67†	35†	53.3‡	0.99‡	17.8‡	
Aug. 29, 1953.	2,588,300	855	430	551	93	44	502	10.1	22	20	1	25	4	2	1	3	16	6	13	12	98	68	25	303	67†	35†	56.1‡	0.58‡	34.2‡	

* Numbers of Births, Stillbirths and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952 § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 35

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 4th September 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 4th September 1954, the births of 914 living children, and of 16 stillborn children, 490 marriages and 499 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.4 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 9.9 and the death-rate 10.1. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 17 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.6 more than in the previous week, and 2.6 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.3 more than in the previous week, and 0.8 above the average. The death-rate is 0.7 more than in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 16.7 in Hamilton and 13.2 in Paisley and Airdrie to 6.7 in Aberdeen, Motherwell & Wishaw and Clydebank and 6.1 in Ayr. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dundee 12.9 and in Dunfermline 10.4. In Glasgow the rate was 10.1 and in Edinburgh 10.3.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1 and are 1 more than in the previous week. The death registered was from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 11, of which 10 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 2 more than in the previous week, and the latter 3 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 27, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.5 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 18, being 7 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 9 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 297, and are 27 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 17, and are 11 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 31st August 1954, was 12,655. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 58.2° being 1.4° above that for the previous week, and 2.2° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.79 inch, and the mean sunshine 19.9 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 35 **Week ended SATURDAY, September 4th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	4	..	2	3	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	9	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	10	5	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	6
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	2
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
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East Lothian C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Fife C.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	4	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	1
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	19	..	1	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	3	..	14	2	..	..	2	..	13
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	8
TOTAL	2	..	..	..	..	24	..	5	2	..	..	6	1	..	..	3	..	1	1	2	17	..	22	4	..	..	3	..	31
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Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr C.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
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Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	1	..	1	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	7	..	12	3	..	..	1	..	3
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	11	70	..	1	3	123	..	8	..	..	..	112	..	..	..	55	..	3	9	2	16	..	23	2	..	..	..	..	66
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	6
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	12	72	..	2	3	154	..	13	..	..	1	126	..	..	..	76	4	5	10	3	47	..	80	10	..	..	1	..	81
GRAND TOTAL	16	81	..	2	3	191	1	19	3	..	2	142	6	..	..	91	4	9	11	5	83	..	116	20	..	..	4	..	125

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 35

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 4, 1954

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 31, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 31st Aug. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	291	218	223	23	11	211	10.1	6	3	1	9	1	3	1	..	5	4	9	4	39	23	7	118	71	47	57.5	1.19	16.9	3,671
2. Edinburgh	470,500	154	81	105	17	5	93	10.3	3	2	..	3	..	2	..	..	2	2	3	1	27	13	2	58	70	48	59.1	0.46	21.9	980
3. Aberdeen	185,500	68	40	37	15	2	24	6.7	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	5	3	19	66	45	56.3	0.35	17.3	468
4. Dundee	177,500	57	28	48	8	4	44	12.9	3	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	..	13	5	..	30	70	47	57.6	0.32	19.3	529
5. Paisley	94,500	26	16	28	6	2	24	13.2	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	2	1	..	7	2	2	13	68	49	59.1	1.08	20 3	295
6. Greenock	77,300	39	9	17	3	1	15	10.1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	1	..	7	66	50	57.7	1.63	18.0	383
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	25	9	8	2	3	9	6.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	2	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	423
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	14	9	10	2	1	9	9.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	221
9. Coatbridge	49,300	25	8	8	1	1	8	8.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	229
10. Dunfermline	45,300	16	9	9	1	1	9	10.4	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	4	70	46	58.2	0.59	17.8	166
11. Clydebank	46,400	18	6	7	2	1	6	6.7	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	217
12. Ayr	42,400	15	11	11	6	..	5	6.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	218
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	11	9	8	4	4	8	9.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	5	71	46	58.5	1.08	24.0	178
14. Perth	40,800	14	12	7	2	1	6	7.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	2	72	47	59.4	0.41	23.3	134
15. Hamilton	40,600	19	6	7	1	7	13	16.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	2	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	391
16. Falkirk	37,400	11	10	10	4	1	7	9.8	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	186
17. Airdrie	31,700	11	9	4	..	4	8	13.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	160
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Sept. 4, 1954.	2,586,800	914	490	547	97	49	499	10.1	16	9	1	18	2	6	1	1	11	10	18	9	114	55	17	297	72†	45†	58.2‡	0.79‡	19.9‡	
Aug. 28, 1954.	2,586,800	883	425	516	99	51	468	9.4	26	11	2	25	4	7	2	..	9	7	18	13	103	66	28	270	73†	43†	56.8‡	0.45‡	18.3‡	
Sept. 5, 1953.	2,588,300	786	499	518	88	60	490	9.9	30	13	2	22	4	5	..	1	9	8	17	12	99	67	27	305	68†	41†	55.9‡	1.35‡	24.7‡	

* Numbers of Births, Stillbirths and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 36

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 11th September 1954

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 11th September 1954, the births of 833 living children, and of 25 stillborn children, 586 marriages and 479 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 16.8 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 11.8 and the death-rate 9.7. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 29 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.6 less than in the previous week, but 0.5 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.9 more than in the previous week, and 0.6 above the average. The death-rate is 0.4 less than in the previous week, and 0.5 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 14.6 in Clydebank and 12.7 in Coatbridge to 5.1 in Perth and 3.5 in Dunfermline. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Falkirk 12.6 and in Dundee 11.5. In Glasgow the rate was 9.9 and in Edinburgh 11.0.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases; in the previous week 1 death was registered from these causes. There was, however, 1 death from acute poliomyelitis.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 11, of which 9 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are the same as in the previous week, but the latter 1 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 14, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.3 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week, and 0.3 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 11, being 7 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 7 were aged 0-6 days, but there were none aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 275, and are 22 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 27, and are 10 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 7th September 1954, was 13,391. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 54.5° being 3.7° below that for the previous week, and 1.2° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.91 inch, and the mean sunshine 25.3 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 36 **Week ended SATURDAY, September 11th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	9
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	7
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
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Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	1
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Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	23	..	2	..	..	2	6	..	..	1	7	1	5	..	1	20	..	15	3	..	..	..	..	31
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Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	3	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	3	..	9	4	..	..	..	..	5
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	10	72	..	2	2	95	..	3	..	..	2	116	..	..	..	56	..	1	7	2	25	..	27	4	..	..	..	..	52
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	5
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	8	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	1
Greenock B.	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	9
Paisley B.	..	3	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	11	79	..	2	2	132	..	8	..	..	3	121	..	..	..	77	4	6	7	2	60	..	68	14	..	..	..	.	83
GRAND TOTAL	12	83	..	2	2	159	..	14	..	..	5	134	2	..	2	90	7	12	7	3	89	..	96	19	2	..	..	..	143

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 36

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 11, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 7, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 7th Sept. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	395	235	222	34	18	206	9.9	17	5	..	9	1	1	1	..	5	4	1	4	45	32	13	105	64	41	54.1	0.99	20.6	3,928
2. Edinburgh	470,500	118	134	117	25	7	99	11.0	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	3	24	12	3	65	65	44	55.4	0.74	33.0	1,096
3. Aberdeen	185,500	56	46	38	11	..	27	7.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	7	6	..	20	62	39	52.6	0.40	30.6	491
4. Dundee	177,500	47	33	42	6	3	39	11.5	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	5	2	25	65	39	52.6	0.97	28.3	546
5. Paisley	94,500	33	15	16	6	..	10	5.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	3	2	..	6	65	41	55.9	1.05	25.0	282
6. Greenock	77,300	27	18	13	..	1	14	9.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	..	2	..	2	6	63	45	55.8	1.49	22.4	358
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	18	10	6	1	3	8	6.0	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	490
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	23	16	7	1	3	9	9.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	206
9. Coatbridge	49,300	12	11	5	..	7	12	12.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	3	6	..	..	..	..	..	268
10. Dunfermline	45,300	11	9	7	4	..	3	3.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	64	41	54.2	0.79	19.4	258
11. Clydebank	46,400	18	10	9	3	7	13	14.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	2	4	..	..	..	..	..	260
12. Ayr	42,400	19	10	6	1	3	8	9.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	225
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	13	11	11	4	2	9	11.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	5	65	43	56.0	1.11	23.2	171
14. Perth	40,800	7	12	4	2	2	4	5.1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	3	64	37	53.6	0.69	25.2	118
15. Hamilton	40,600	13	6	3	..	2	5	6.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	444
16. Falkirk	37,400	14	3	14	5	..	9	12·6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	165
17. Airdrie	31,700	9	7	3	2	3	4	6.6	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	161
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Sept. 11, 1954.	2,586,800	833	586	523	105	61	479	9.7	25	7	..	11	1	1	1	..	11	9	7	7	109	65	27	275	65†	37†	54.5‡	0.91‡	25.3‡	
Sept. 4, 1954.	2,586,800	914	490	547	97	49	499	10.1	16	9	1	18	2	6	1	1	11	10	18	9	114	55	17	297	72†	45†	58.2‡	0.79‡	19.9‡	
Sept. 12, 1953.	2,588,300	787	517	560	87	46	519	10.5	21	11	2	21	3	2	3	..	17	15	19	11	111	78	26	329	77†	45†	59.3‡	0.04‡	42.5‡	

* Numbers of Births, Stillbirths and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952.

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 37

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 18th September 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 18th September 1954, the births of 804 living children, and of 25 stillborn children, 457 marriages and 497 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 16.2 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 9.2 and the death-rate 10.0. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 30 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.6 less than in the previous week, and 0.4 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 2.6 less than in the previous week, and 1.1 below the average. The death-rate is 0.3 more than in the previous week, and 0.2 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 12.6 in Dundee and 12.5 in Kirkcaldy to 6.1 in Kilmarnock and 1.4 in Falkirk. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Clydebank and Ayr 12.3 and in Aberdeen, Greenock and Airdrie 11.5. In Glasgow the rate was 9.3 and in Edinburgh 11.2.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1 and are 1 more than in the previous week. The death registered was from meningococcal infections.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 11, of which 9 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are the same as in the previous week, and the latter the same.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 37, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.7 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.4 more than in the previous week, and 0.1 above the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 17, being 6 more than in the previous week. Of these, 13 were aged 0-6 days, but there were none aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 310, and are 35 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 20, and are 7 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 14th September 1954, was 13,323. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 51.3° being 3.2° below that for the previous week, and 2.3° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.19 inches, and the mean sunshine 36.0 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 37 **Week ended SATURDAY, September 18th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	4	..	..	1	..	2
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	4	1	1	..	..	9	..	5	6	..	..	1	..	12
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	7	2	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL		1				1		4				7	2			4		1			7		4						10

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	3	..	5	..	..	..	1	..	1
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	4
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	18	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	5	..	17	1	..	..	..	..	15
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	19	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	7	1	1	..	..	20	..	35	3	..	..	1	..	25
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	4	..	5	2	..	..	..	..	4
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Glasgow B.	9	58	..	3	6	127	..	1	..	..	1	136	1	..	..	62	..	..	3	..	23	..	38	5	..	..	..	..	45
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	4	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	11	60	..	3	6	140	..	4	..	..	2	141	1	..	..	94	8	4	4	3	45	..	67	13	..	..	..	..	64
GRAND TOTAL	11	61	..	3	6	161	..	11	3	..	2	154	3	..	..	109	11	9	4	3	82	..	111	22	..	..	2	..	113

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 18, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 14, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 14th Sept. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	330	181	207	27	14	194	9.3	11	5	..	8	..	4	..	1	8	7	4	8	36	22	10	119	60	37	50.9	1.30	30.1	3,939
2. Edinburgh	470,500	140	96	120	21	2	101	11.2	4	3	..	3	1	..	..	..	1	..	2	7	14	22	3	68	66	41	51.4	1.90	40.5	1,012
3. Aberdeen	185,500	58	39	54	15	2	41	11.5	5	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	9	5	3	19	59	38	50.4	0.34	47.6	476
4. Dundee	177,500	56	22	47	6	2	43	12.6	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	7	14	1	34	61	33	50.3	0.28	43.7	594
5. Paisley	94,500	29	21	13	2	4	15	8.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	4	2	1	8	62	40	53.2	1.05	31.1	359
6. Greenock	77,300	29	11	20	3	..	17	11.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	4	..	12	58	42	51.9	2.79	24.2	383
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	27	13	10	1	3	12	9.0	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	412
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	21	4	14	3	1	12	12.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	9	..	..	..	..	..	214
9. Coatbridge	49,300	24	8	6	..	4	10	10.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	266
10. Dunfermline	45,300	15	6	7	1	1	7	8.1	..	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	3	61	38	51.4	1.15	36.0	211
11. Clydebank	46,400	14	13	11	3	3	11	12.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	261
12. Ayr	42,400	9	5	12	5	3	10	12.3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	210
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	12	7	6	2	1	5	6.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	5	61	35	51.2	1.07	31.3	189
14. Perth	40,800	10	9	6	1	1	6	7.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	..	5	61	34	51.2	0.86	39.5	138
15. Hamilton	40,600	10	10	4	1	2	5	6.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	383
16. Falkirk	37,400	8	5	6	5	..	1	1.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	185
17. Airdrie	31,700	12	7	6	..	1	7	11.5	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	120
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
Sept. 18, 1954.	2,586,800	804	457	549	96	44	497	10.0	25	13	..	17	3	4	..	1	11	9	14	23	92	77	20	310	62†	33†	51.3‡	1.19‡	36.0‡	
Sept. 11, 1954.	2,586,800	833	586	523	105	61	479	9.7	25	7	..	11	1	1	1	..	11	9	7	7	109	65	27	275	65†	37†	54.5‡	0.91‡	25.3‡	
Sept. 19, 1953.	2,588,300	820	505	544	91	43	496	10.0	19	11	2	20	7	3	..	2	11	9	13	16	121	56	29	293	68†	40†	54.8‡	1.17‡	13.1‡	

* Numbers of Births, Stillbirths and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952 § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 38

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 25th September 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 25th September 1954, the births of 861 living children, and of 24 stillborn children, 596 marriages and 542 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.4 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 12.0 and the death-rate 10.9. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 27 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.2 more than in the previous week, and 1.2 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 2.8 more than in the previous week, and 0.7 above the average. The death-rate is 0.9 more than in the previous week, and 0.5 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 16.6 in Kirkcaldy and 16.1 in Dunfermline to 8.6 in Ayr and 4.9 in Airdrie. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Perth 15.3 and in Paisley 13.8. In Glasgow the rate was 11.2 and in Edinburgh 8.9.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 3 and are 2 more than in the previous week. The deaths registered were from meningococcal infections. There was also 1 death from acute poliomyelitis.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 6, of which 5 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 5 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 4 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 33, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.7 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, but 0.1 above the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 25, being 8 more than in the previous week. Of these, 13 were aged 0-6 days and 2 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 329, and are 19 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 30, and are 10 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 21st September 1954, was 13,245. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 50.4° being 0.9° below that for the previous week, and 1.7° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.30 inches, and the mean sunshine 26.7 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 38 — **Week ended SATURDAY, September 25th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	3	..	9	2	..	..	..	..	5
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	3	2	1	1	..	6	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	12
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	4	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	24	3	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	3	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	4
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	4				6		2				24	3			5		1		2	6		6	1					7

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	2	..	11	1	..	..	..	2
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	19	..	1	..	..	1	2	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	6	..	13	1	..	..	..	4
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	2	..	..	..	5
TOTAL	..	1	..	..	..	23	..	4	1	..	1	3	..	..	1	2	..	4	..	..	18	..	27	5	..	..	..	18
WESTERN REGION.—																												
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	1	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	2
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	1	5	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	3	..	5	..	..	6	..	7	..	..	..	..	3
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	5
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	1
Glasgow B.	2	42	..	2	1	78	..	6	..	..	1	121	1	..	..	54	..	5	1	3	20	..	44	11	..	..	..	32
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	4	..	..	..	1	..
Greenock B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	1	2	..	..	..	12
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	4	48	..	2	1	97	..	10	1	..	1	131	3	..	2	66	3	15	1	4	47	..	78	16	..	..	1	..	62
GRAND TOTAL	5	53	..	2	1	133	..	18	2	..	2	163	6	..	3	77	5	22	2	7	80	..	123	24	..	..	1	..	104

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RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 25, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 21, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 21st Sept. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	372	271	255	32	11	234	11.2	6	9	..	19	2	3	1	2	1	1	10	11	45	30	15	135	62	38	50.0	1.68	22.7	3,867
2. Edinburgh	470,500	124	117	84	12	8	80	8.9	3	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	19	14	7	56	63	43	50.9	0.31	35.6	911
3. Aberdeen	185,500	62	39	50	18	..	32	9.0	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	5	..	21	60	38	49.9	0.30	27.8	496
4. Dundee	177,500	62	24	42	7	4	39	11.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	8	6	3	25	61	36	48.9	0.67	28.4	575
5. Paisley	94,500	33	35	27	5	3	25	13.8	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	9	3	..	12	63	41	51.4	1.86	25.2	310
6. Greenock	77,300	34	10	20	1	..	19	12.8	2	1	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	2	..	14	59	43	50.9	2.45	24.1	433
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	30	12	10	2	6	14	10.5	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	469
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	16	10	17	2	1	16	16.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	1	12	..	..	..	..	..	205
9. Coatbridge	49,300	30	8	13	2	1	12	12.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	291
10. Dunfermline	45,300	18	8	13	2	3	14	16.1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	3	1	7	64	38	51.1	1.28	26.1	203
11. Clydebank	46,400	15	10	10	3	4	11	12.3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	2	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	258
12. Ayr	42,400	11	18	6	3	4	7	8.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	182
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	13	10	13	5	..	8	9.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	6	60	36	50.6	1.71	25.7	208
14. Perth	40,800	9	4	15	5	2	12	15.3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	5	..	7	62	34	50.2	1.44	24.8	128
15. Hamilton	40,600	9	12	5	1	3	7	9.0	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	420
16. Falkirk	37,400	13	5	10	3	2	9	12.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	176
17. Airdrie	31,700	10	3	3	1	1	3	4.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	154
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Sept. 25, 1954.	2,586,800	861	596	593	104	53	542	10.9	24	13	2	25	2	4	1	3	6	5	15	18	105	86	30	329	64†	34†	50.4‡	1.30‡	26.7‡	
Sept. 18, 1954.	2,586,800	804	457	549	96	44	497	10.0	25	13	..	17	3	4	..	1	11	9	14	23	92	77	20	310	62†	33†	51.3‡	1.19‡	36.0‡	
Sept. 26, 1953.	2,588,300	818	607	546	88	44	502	10.1	22	13	3	24	3	8	2	..	18	14	16	17	109	61	24	299	64†	43†	55.0‡	1.00‡	13.0‡	

* Numbers of Births, Stillbirths and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1953. § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 2nd October 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 2nd October 1954, the births of 853 living children, and of 19 stillborn children, 582 marriages and 568 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.2 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 11.7 and the death-rate 11.4. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 22 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.2 less than in the previous week, but the same as the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.3 less than in the previous week, but the same as the average. The death-rate is 0.5 more than in the previous week, and 0.6 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 15.0 in Motherwell & Wishaw and 13.8 in Dunfermline to 7.7 in Paisley and 7.4 in Ayr. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Airdrie 13.2 and in Perth 12.8. In Glasgow the rate was 11.5 and in Edinburgh 12.7.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1 and are 2 fewer than in the previous week. The death registered was from meningococcal septicæmia. There was also 1 death from bacillary dysentery and 1 from acute poliomyelitis.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 11, of which 10 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 5 more than in the previous week, and the latter 5 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 31, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.6 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.3 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 21, being 4 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 11 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 340, and are 11 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 34, and are 4 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 28th September 1954, was 13,787. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 46.5° being 3.9° below that for the previous week, and 6.0° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.93 inch, and the mean sunshine 26.9 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 39 **Week ended SATURDAY, October 2nd, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	2	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	2	1	1	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	5
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	6
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	6	..	1	.	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	14
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	7	1	3	..	..	3	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	21
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Dundee B.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	54	1	..	..	6	..	1	1	..	3	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	5
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	5	..	..	..	54	1	..	..	6	..	2	1	..	4	..	6	4	..	..	..	..	8

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	6	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Edinburgh B.	1	..	..	..	..	7	..	2	..	..	..	2	1	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	6	..	14	3	..	..	..	..	..	13
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	1	10	..	4	..	..	..	5	2	..	1	7	1	2	..	..	24	..	29	5	..	..	..	..	..	27
WESTERN REGION.—																														
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	1	..	5	2	..	..	..	..	..	.
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	4	..	..	1	11	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	7	..	..	1	..	5	..	12	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	11	69	..	3	5	127	..	5	..	..	1	175	..	..	1	57	..	3	1	3	32	..	29	6	..	..	..	2	..	31
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Renfrew C.	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	5	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Greenock B.	..	3	..	..	1	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	.	..	..	..	..	9
Paisley B.	..	6	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	10	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	12	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	11	83	..	3	7	155	1	8	..	..	2	180	1	..	1	85	5	7	2	4	87	..	69	16	..	..	2	..	53	
GRAND TOTAL	12	83	..	3	8	172	1	19	..	..	2	246	4	..	2	109	7	15	5	5	119	..	107	29	..	..	2	..	114	

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RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 2, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 28, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 28th Sept. 1954. **
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	362	264	248	25	16	239	11.5	10	5	..	10	1	1	3	1	6	5	8	8	49	30	14	134	57	31	45.6	1.53	21.4	3,471
2. Edinburgh	470,500	130	107	123	13	5	115	12.7	2	2	1	4	..	4	..	..	..	..	2	2	25	21	11	77	62	33	47.1	0.48	36.1	1,395
3. Aberdeen	185,500	58	43	46	11	2	37	10.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	6	6	..	24	62	31	45.1	0.33	33.3	452
4. Dundee	177,500	66	34	45	6	3	42	12.3	2	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	9	7	2	29	58	29	44.8	0.77	30.7	641
5. Paisley	94,500	36	22	21	8	1	14	7.7	2	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	2	5	61	34	48.3	1.16	20.5	397
6. Greenock	77,300	27	9	22	5	..	17	11.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	3	1	2	10	60	36	47.5	1.70	20.1	412
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	30	12	17	1	4	20	15.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	6	2	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	409
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	20	13	9	4	3	8	8.3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	221
9. Coatbridge	49,300	16	10	6	..	3	9	9.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	1	2	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	229
10. Dunfermline	45,300	16	9	13	1	..	12	13.8	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	1	4	62	32	47.1	0.47	28.3	220
11. Clydebank	46,400	13	4	8	2	2	8	9.0	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	256
12. Ayr	42,400	15	12	9	4	1	6	7.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	279
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	19	10	9	5	3	7	8.5	..	..	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	2	62	31	47.2	1.15	19.4	221
14. Perth	40,800	9	7	9	1	2	10	12.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	5	61	25	45.5	0.75	31.9	181
15. Hamilton	40,600	14	14	8	2	3	9	11.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	436
16. Falkirk	37,400	15	6	8	2	1	7	9.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	200
17. Airdrie	31,700	7	6	4	..	4	8	13.2	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	180
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Oct. 2, 1954.	2,586,800	853	582	605	90	53	568	11.4	19	11	3	21	2	8	3	1	11	10	15	16	115	78	34	340	62†	25†	46.5‡	0.93‡	26.9‡	
Sept. 25, 1954.	2,586,800	861	596	593	104	53	542	10.9	24	13	2	25	2	4	1	3	6	5	15	18	105	86	30	329	64†	34†	50.4‡	1.30‡	26.7‡	
Oct. 3, 1953.	2,588,300	854	635	546	87	50	509	10.3	17	18	6	30	3	9	1	..	10	7	21	18	98	61	23	307	68†	42†	55.9‡	1.17‡	21.7‡	

* Numbers of Births, Stillbirths and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward [illegible] § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 40

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 9th October 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 9th October 1954, the births of 963 living children, and of 20 stillborn children, 419 marriages and 593 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.4 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 8.4 and the death-rate 12.0. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 20 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 2.2 more than in the previous week, and 1.1 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 3.3 less than in the previous week, and 1.2 below the average. The death-rate is 0.6 more than in the previous week, and 1.3 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 17.2 in Motherwell & Wishaw and 17.1 in Kilmarnock to 4.9 in Airdrie and 4.2 in Falkirk. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Perth 16.6 and in Edinburgh 14.3. In Glasgow the rate was 11.7.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1, the same as in the previous week. The death registered was from measles.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 10, of which 9 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 1 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 49, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.0 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.4 more than in the previous week, and 0.3 above the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 34, being 13 more than in the previous week. Of these, 18 were aged 0-6 days but there were none aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 354, and are 14 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 27, and are 7 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 5th October 1954, was 15,405. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 51.4° being 4.9° above that for the previous week, and 0.1° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.17 inches, and the mean sunshine 22.5 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 40 — **Week ended SATURDAY, October 9th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Inverness B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	8
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	1	10	..	..	..	4	..	14	..	..	3	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	3
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	1	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	38	5	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	6
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	1	..	..	..	4	..	3	..	..	..	38	5	..	..	8	..	1	..	1	6	..	7	1	..	..	..	..	6

East Lothian C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Fife C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	10	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	2
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	6	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	14
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	33	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	..	1	4	..	3	..	..	4	..	12	2	..	..	..	..	9
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	2	2	..	..	..	35	..	6	1	..	..	10	..	..	2	10	..	7	..	..	34	..	22	3	1	..	..	..	35
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	7	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	1	..	..	..	1	20	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	13	..	..	..	2	4	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	1
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	4	73	..	4	6	107	..	5	..	..	..	232	3	..	1	62	..	4	7	1	28	..	33	3	..	..	1	..	42
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	1	9	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	1
Greenock B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	10
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	2	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	8	73	..	4	7	136	1	9	..	..	..	247	5	..	5	103	5	7	7	4	79	..	68	10	..	..	1	..	63
GRAND TOTAL	11	76	..	4	7	182	1	19	1	..	1	305	10	..	7	125	5	31	7	6	125	..	102	16	1	..	1	..	115

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

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RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 9, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 5, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 5th October 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	442	185	261	35	18	244	11.7	15	8	..	13	2	2	..	..	4	4	12	12	49	34	12	130	59	35	50.6	1.23	15.1	4,503
2. Edinburgh	470,500	131	74	146	22	5	129	14.3	2	2	..	3	..	1	..	..	1	1	7	3	23	16	2	85	61	39	51.5	0.52	25.4	1,335
3. Aberdeen	185,500	67	29	47	13	3	37	10.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	7	5	1	31	63	39	51.0	1.88	39.0	625
4. Dundee	177,500	56	45	36	4	3	35	10.3	2	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	4	3	4	3	3	5	2	21	63	33	50.3	0.97	28.3	543
5. Paisley	94,500	42	12	19	6	1	14	7.7	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	4	1	1	8	61	36	52.4	1.14	18.3	386
6. Greenock	77,300	34	10	24	5	..	19	12.8	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	4	1	3	14	59	40	52.2	1.76	15.1	450
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	21	5	18	1	6	23	17.2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	4	3	3	13	..	..	..	..	..	439
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	15	5	12	2	3	13	13.5	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	216
9. Coatbridge	49,300	31	8	4	..	6	10	10.6	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	302
10. Dunfermline	45,300	18	5	10	3	1	8	9.2	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	6	61	34	52.1	0.80	20.9	233
11. Clydebank	46,400	23	5	5	1	4	8	9.0	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	304
12. Ayr	42,400	11	5	8	1	3	10	12.3	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	227
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	17	6	15	3	2	14	17.1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	2	1	8	62	34	51.6	1.54	16.0	213
14. Perth	40,800	19	9	15	4	2	13	16.6	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	8	62	31	50.6	0.65	24.1	179
15. Hamilton	40,600	15	4	4	..	6	10	12.8	..	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	558
16. Falkirk	37,400	12	6	6	3	..	3	4.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	200
17. Airdrie	31,700	9	6	4	1	..	3	4.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	170
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Oct. 9, 1954.	2,586,800	963	419	634	104	63	593	12.0	20	18	..	34	3	7	..	1	10	9	27	22	112	77	27	354	63†	31†	51.4‡	1.17‡	22.5‡	
Oct. 2, 1954.	2,586,800	853	582	605	90	53	568	11.4	19	11	3	21	2	8	3	1	11	10	15	16	115	78	34	340	62†	25†	46.5‡	0.93‡	26.9‡	
Oct. 10, 1953.	2,588,300‖	919	353	568	82	36	522	10.5	21	10	3	14	6	2	1	..	11	9	15	18	127	64	20	323	63†	31†	51.5‡	0.03‡	14.0‡	

* Numbers of Births, Stillbirths and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952 § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 16th October 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 16th October 1954, the births of 855 living children, and of 22 stillborn children, 311 marriages and 504 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.2 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 6.3 and the death-rate 10.2. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 25 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 2.2 less than in the previous week, and 0.2 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 2.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.4 below the average. The death-rate is 1.8 less than in the previous week, and 0.3 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 14.6 in Kirkcaldy and 12.8 in Hamilton to 8.2 in Motherwell & Wishaw and 6.7 in Clydebank. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Ayr 12.3 and in Dunfermline and Perth 11.5. In Glasgow the rate was 9.9 and in Edinburgh 11.2.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous week 1 death was registered from these causes.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 13, of which 10 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 3 more than in the previous week, and the latter 1 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 35, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.7 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.3 less than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 23, being 11 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 13 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 317, and are 37 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 27, and are the same as in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 12th October 1954, was 15,463. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 49.8° being 1.6° below that for the previous week, but 0.8° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.91 inches, and the mean sunshine 16.4 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 41 — **Week ended SATURDAY, October 16th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	1	8	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	5
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	4	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	8	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	7
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	1	7	..	9	..	1	12	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	14
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	3	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	1	92	2	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	1	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	6
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	3	..	..	..	4	..	3	..	..	1	92	2	..	..	11	..	1	..	1	5	..	11	3	..	..	..	..	12

Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	5
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	4
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	29	..	2	..	..	1	9	..	..	..	4	..	3	..	..	5	..	16	1	..	..	2	..	14
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	7	..	..	..	31	..	6	..	..	1	10	..	..	1	11	..	5	..	..	20	..	30	3	..	..	3	..	35
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	1	3	..	..	5	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	6	..	..	2	6	..	2	..	..	1	6	..	..	..	14	..	1	..	1	5	..	15	7	..	..	..	..	6
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	7	62	..	1	9	90	..	4	..	..	..	261	3	..	1	62	..	2	6	1	30	..	39	7	..	..	..	..	34
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	6	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	10
Paisley B.	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	6	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	7	71	..	1	11	112	..	7	..	..	1	272	3	..	3	103	5	9	6	3	95	..	83	16	..	..	..	..	64
GRAND TOTAL	8	81	..	1	11	162	..	17	1	..	3	376	5	..	5	134	5	25	6	6	140	..	131	25	..	..	3	..	130

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 41

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 16, 1954

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 12, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 12th October 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	397	136	215	31	21	205	9.9	8	9	..	12	6	3	..	..	3	3	3	6	49	23	11	118	57	38	49.2	2.11	12.1	4,306
2. Edinburgh	470,500	117	52	118	20	3	101	11.2	3	2	1	3	..	2	..	..	3	2	5	3	18	14	5	75	61	41	50.4	2.17	21.5	1,268
3. Aberdeen	185,500	62	25	49	15	2	36	10.1	2	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	6	9	1	22	61	36	48.8	0.83	22.5	597
4. Dundee	177,500	65	22	31	1	4	34	10.0	3	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	2	2	1	11	2	4	27	59	29	47.7	1.46	20.5	692
5. Paisley	94,500	19	11	18	4	1	15	8.3	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	4	3	..	5	59	40	51.1	2.32	13.2	395
6. Greenock	77,300	24	6	21	7	..	14	9.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	2	10	61	41	50.9	2.51	11.4	443
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	19	7	5	1	7	11	8.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	633
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	18	7	15	3	2	14	14.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	216
9. Coatbridge	49,300	22	2	6	..	4	10	10.6	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	..	2	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	324
10. Dunfermline	45,300	14	4	12	2	..	10	11.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	7	60	38	49.9	1.89	13.8	261
11. Clydebank	46,400	18	3	9	4	1	6	6.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	243
12. Ayr	42,400	8	10	18	8	..	10	12.3	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	274
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	13	5	6	1	2	7	8.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	1	..	7	61	38	50.1	2.45	15.9	229
14. Perth	40,800	14	3	6	2	5	9	11.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	60	37	49.9	1.44	16.7	152
15. Hamilton	40,600	21	8	4	..	6	10	12.8	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	2	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	468
16. Falkirk	37,400	14	7	11	5	..	6	8.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	233
17. Airdrie	31,700	10	3	2	..	4	6	9.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	171
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Oct. 16, 1954.	2,586,800	855	311	546	104	62	504	10.2	22	13	3	23	7	5	..	..	13	10	20	15	104	65	27	317	61†	29†	49.8‡	1.91‡	16.4‡	
Oct. 9, 1954.	2,586,800	963	419	634	104	63	593	12.0	20	18	..	34	3	7	..	1	10	9	27	22	112	77	27	354	63†	31†	51.4‡	1.17‡	22.5‡	
Oct. 17, 1953.	2,588,300	844	280	572	87	48	533	10.7	28	21	2	35	7	4	2	..	9	8	12	19	115	75	37	292	60†	30†	47.4‡	0.31‡	18.0‡	

* Numbers of Births, Stillbirths and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

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No. 42

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 23rd October 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 23rd October 1954, the births of 832 living children, and of 20 stillborn children, 282 marriages and 567 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 16.8 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 5.7 and the death-rate 11.4. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 23 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.4 less than in the previous week, and 0.6 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.6 less than in the previous week, but the same as the average. The death-rate is 1.2 more than in the previous week, and 0.5 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 20.9 in Falkirk and 20.4 in Perth to 6.9 in Dunfermline and 5.1 in Hamilton. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Kilmarnock 15.9 and in Ayr 13.5. In Glasgow the rate was 11.0 and in Edinburgh 12.9.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous week there were also no deaths from these causes.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 10, all of which were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 3 fewer than in the previous week, but the latter the same.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 48, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.0 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.3 more than in the previous week, and 0.2 above the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 29, being 6 more than in the previous week. Of these, 17 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 338, and are 21 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 23, and are 4 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 19th October 1954, was 15,608. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 50.1° being 0.3° above that for the previous week, and 2.4° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 2.39 inches, and the mean sunshine 9.2 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 42 — **Week ended SATURDAY, October 23rd, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	1	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	27
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	3	..	1	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	33
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	4	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	17
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	3	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	5	..	7	1	..	..	..	..	17
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	22
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	4	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	3	1	9	..	..	11	..	9	1	..	..	..	..	63
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	3	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	70	2	..	..	5	..	..	..	1	3	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	6
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	8
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	3	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	70	2	..	..	5	..	..	..	1	11	..	7	2	..	..	..	..	16

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fife C.	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	6	1	2	..	..	3	..	7	2	..	..	1	..	8
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Kirkcaldy B.	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	3
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	30	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	2	16	..	21	3	..	..	..	..	18
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	4	..	..	..	33	..	2	1	..	..	15	2	..	..	10	1	3	..	2	39	..	32	7	..	..	1	..	33
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	5
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	4	..	..	9	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	2
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	1	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	1	12	2	..	..	5	..	..	1	..	9	..	16	2	..	..	..	..	2
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	6	99	..	5	2	120	..	2	..	..	2	336	1	..	..	68	..	5	3	3	28	..	37	2	..	..	..	..	39
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	1	1	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	8
Paisley B.	..	4	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	7	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	6	104	..	5	2	136	..	4	..	..	3	352	3	..	..	95	6	11	4	4	94	..	86	5	..	..	..	..	68
GRAND TOTAL	7	111	..	5	2	183	..	11	1	..	3	447	7	..	..	117	8	26	4	8	161	..	135	15	..	..	1	..	213

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 42

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 23, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 19, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 19th October 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	379	118	242	27	14	229	11.0	14	5	1	11	2	4	1	..	5	5	12	12	42	29	8	130	60	42	49.5	3.28	5.5	4,206
2. Edinburgh	470,500	128	53	129	17	4	116	12.9	1	4	..	6	1	..	1	..	2	2	5	5	19	17	3	75	62	43	50.5	1.35	7.8	1,433
3. Aberdeen	185,500	59	23	46	11	4	39	11.0	..	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	7	5	4	25	57	38	47.9	1.05	9.4	595
4. Dundee	177,500	49	16	34	5	3	32	9.4	2	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	1	7	5	3	17	62	37	49.3	1.63	16.4	667
5. Paisley	94,500	32	4	22	4	2	20	11.0	1	1	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	4	3	..	13	62	44	50.6	3.36	7.7	382
6. Greenock	77,300	31	3	16	3	2	15	10.1	1	3	1	4	2	..	..	..	1	1	3	..	2	..	..	8	61	43	50.7	3.82	7.2	422
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	23	5	12	1	6	17	12.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	8	1	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	522
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	18	2	8	1	3	10	10.4	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	193
9. Coatbridge	49,300	11	6	8	..	3	11	11.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	2	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	270
10. Dunfermline	45,300	14	9	9	3	..	6	6.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	3	62	42	50.8	2.52	11.3	233
11. Clydebank	46,400	23	5	5	1	3	7	7.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	288
12. Ayr	42,400	9	7	12	2	1	11	13.5	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	282
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	12	5	12	4	5	13	15.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	1	..	10	62	42	51.2	2.84	6.1	231
14. Perth	40,800	6	7	16	2	2	16	20.4	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	5	3	10	62	40	50.4	1.68	11.4	176
15. Hamilton	40,600	17	10	2	..	2	4	5.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	540
16. Falkirk	37,400	9	3	17	4	2	15	20.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	3	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	239
17. Airdrie	31,700	12	6	7	2	1	6	9.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	202
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Oct. 23, 1954.	2,586,800	832	282	597	87	57	567	11.4	20	17	3	29	7	5	2	..	10	10	24	24	114	76	23	338	62†	37†	50.1‡	2.39‡	9.2‡	
Oct. 16, 1954.	2,586,800	855	311	546	104	62	504	10.2	22	13	3	23	7	5	..	..	13	10	20	15	104	65	27	317	61†	29†	49.8‡	1.91‡	16.4‡	
Oct. 24, 1953.	2,588,300	857	279	586	94	63	555	11.2	24	15	7	36	4	8	..	6	13	11	28	19	115	74	26	340	60†	34†	49.7‡	0.57‡	7.8‡	

* Numbers of Births, Stillbirths and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952. § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 43

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 30th October 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 30th October 1954, the births of 840 living children, and of 20 stillborn children, 330 marriages and 491 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 16.9 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 6.7 and the death-rate 9.9. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 23 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.1 more than in the previous week, and 0.3 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.0 more than in the previous week, and 0.3 above the average. The death-rate is 1.5 less than in the previous week, and 1.3 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 19.7 in Ayr and 14.6 in Kilmarnock to 5.1 in Hamilton and 4.0 in Greenock. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dundee 12.3 and in Clydebank 11.2. In Glasgow and Edinburgh the rate was 9.8.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1 and are 1 more than in the previous week. The death registered was from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 6, of which 4 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 4 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 6 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 38, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.8 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 22, being 7 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 15 were aged 0-6 days and 2 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 286, and are 52 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 16, and are 7 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 26th October 1954, was 15,389. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 46.2° being 3.9° below that for the previous week, but 0.4° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 2.05 inches, and the mean sunshine 24.3 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 43 — **Week ended SATURDAY, October 30th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	2
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	4	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	5
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	..	3	..	5	2	..	..	..	..	4
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	22
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	6	3	7	..	..	7	..	10	2	..	..	..	..	44
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	1	..	..	..	95	1	..	..	9	..	..	..	1	1	..	10	1	..	..	..	..	2
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	1	..	..	..	95	1	..	..	10	..	1	..	4	3	..	16	1	..	..	..	..	3

Fife C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	9	..	5	..	..	..	2	..	13
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Kirkcaldy B.	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	28	..	3	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	11	..	19	5	..	..	..	..	11
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	12	2	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	15	..	..	..	31	..	8	2	..	..	8	..	..	..	7	1	5	..	..	37	..	40	7	..	..	2	..	30
WESTERN REGION.—																														
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	4	..	..	7	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	8	..	..	..	12	..	4	..	..	..	23	1	..	..	9	..	2	2	..	7	..	11	1	..	..	..	..	12
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	4	89	..	5	6	134	..	7	..	..	..	369	1	..	1	90	..	5	3	2	24	..	34	3	..	..	..	..	35
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	5	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	10
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	5	103	..	5	6	155	..	13	..	..	..	410	3	..	1	117	9	15	6	2	77	..	69	7	1	..	..	..	64
GRAND TOTAL	6	118	..	5	6	204	..	25	3	..	..	514	4	..	1	140	13	30	6	6	128	..	141	18	1	..	2	..	146

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 30, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 26, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 26th October 1954. **
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	373	126	229	38	12	203	9.8	8	4	..	6	..	1	..	1	4	3	8	10	39	37	6	114	58	30	45.4	2.54	22.5	4,264
2. Edinburgh	470,500	113	52	92	12	8	88	9.8	3	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	26	9	1	57	59	35	46.1	1.98	28.0	1,397
3. Aberdeen	185,500	47	41	42	9	3	36	10.1	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	4	5	2	25	57	33	44.8	1.62	25.5	552
4. Dundee	177,500	61	23	44	6	4	42	12.3	4	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	1	1	3	1	14	4	3	25	59	29	44.6	1.38	26.2	626
5. Paisley	94,500	42	18	21	7	5	19	10.5	..	3	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	3	..	11	59	34	47.4	2.70	24.2	370
6. Greenock	77,300	23	10	12	6	..	6	4.0	1	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	4	59	36	47.8	2.06	19.8	448
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	25	8	9	1	3	11	8.2	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	1	3	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	476
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	18	10	6	..	4	10	10.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	199
9. Coatbridge	49,300	29	8	5	..	3	8	8.5	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	328
10. Dunfermline	45,300	11	5	12	3	..	9	10.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	8	60	31	46.5	2.11	22.4	238
11. Clydebank	46,400	17	3	7	2	5	10	11.2	1	..	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	261
12. Ayr	42,400	18	4	14	2	4	16	19.7	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	4	4	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	230
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	17	5	14	3	1	12	14.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	1	8	60	31	47.4	1.79	25.9	239
14. Perth	40,800	8	7	7	3	1	5	6.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	57	28	45.9	2.26	24.1	169
15. Hamilton	40,600	13	6	5	1	..	4	5.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	442
16. Falkirk	37,400	14	3	14	9	1	6	8.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	224
17. Airdrie	31,700	11	1	3	1	4	6	9.9	..	1	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	158
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
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Week ended Saturday, 6th November 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 6th November 1954, the births of 794 living children, and of 23 stillborn children, 306 marriages and 518 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 16.0 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 6.2 and the death-rate 10.4. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 28 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.9 less than in the previous week, and 0.7 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.5 less than in the previous week, and 0.6 below the average. The death-rate is 0.5 more than in the previous week, but 1.1 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 15.3 in Falkirk and 12.6 in Aberdeen to 4.6 in Dunfermline and 4.5 in Clydebank. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dundee, 12.0, and in Greenock, Perth and Airdrie, 11.5. In Glasgow the rate was 10.5 and in Edinburgh 10.6.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 3 and are 2 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from measles and 2 from influenza. There was also 1 death registered from paratyphoid fever.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 10, of which 9 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 4 more than in the previous week, and the latter 5 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 42, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.8 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 27, being 5 more than in the previous week. Of these, 20 were aged 0-6 days but there were none aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 319, and are 33 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 21, and are 5 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 2nd November 1954, was 15,966. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 43.9° being 2.3° below that for the previous week, and 1.2° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.25 inch, and the mean sunshine 14.6 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 44 **Week ended SATURDAY, November 6th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	8	..	..	..	2	..	5	..	..	7	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	2	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	18
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	2	..	..	3	..	..	1	5	2	7	..	..	7	..	2	..	..	..	11	..	46
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	4	..	..	..	16	..	1	..	..	..	182	5	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	2	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	3
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..

Berwick C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	2	9	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	5
Edinburgh B.	1	..	..	..	..	19	..	3	..	..	..	4	1	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	8	..	27	..	..	..	..	..	7
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1
TOTAL	1	5	..	..	..	30	..	6	1	..	..	6	1	..	2	11	..	3	1	2	38	..	44	1	..	..	..	..	20
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	1	..	..	3	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	1	1	..	..	1	6	..	3	..	..	..	18	1	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	8	..	6	2	..	..	..	..	2
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	1
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Glasgow B.	10	81	..	4	4	136	..	3	..	..	..	345	1	..	..	77	..	5	5	4	50	..	45	6	..	..	..	..	32
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	11
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	7	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	2
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	9	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	11	83	..	5	5	156	..	10	..	..	1	373	2	..	1	109	10	10	6	4	98	..	78	14	..	..	..	..	55
GRAND TOTAL	14	92	..	5	5	210	..	20	3	..	2	572	9	..	4	139	12	26	7	6	155	..	137	17	..	..	11	..	124

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 6, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 2, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 2nd Nov. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow .	1,085,000	359	129	239	36	15	218	10.5	10	8	..	10	..	1	..	1	6	5	8	9	36	29	8	132	51	34	43.5	0.47	10.5	4,384
2. Edinburgh	470,500	134	53	113	21	4	96	10.6	3	3	..	4	1	..	..	1	1	1	8	4	21	10	2	61	50	39	44.1	0.19	9.3	1,523
3. Aberdeen .	185,500	50	28	65	21	1	45	12.6	2	4	..	5	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	12	7	..	29	50	35	42.4	0.13	20.0	633
4. Dundee .	177,500	54	24	40	4	5	41	12.0	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	7	4	6	25	52	32	42.6	0.10	25.9	585
5. Paisley .	94,500	18	8	13	..	3	16	8.8	1	1	..	2	..	1	..	..	1	1	1	1	3	3	1	9	52	34	45.0	0.26	9.6	396
6. Greenock .	77,300	32	6	17	1	1	17	11.5	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	1	1	1	..	..	5	3	2	10	52	37	45.4	0.37	9.9	510
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	27	8	7	..	6	13	9.7	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	514
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	9	5	7	..	1	8	8.3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	210
9. Coatbridge	49,300	19	7	4	..	5	9	9.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	304
10. Dunfermline	45,300	12	5	7	5	2	4	4.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	51	36	44.2	0.13	11.4	245
11. Clydebank	46,400	17	3	4	3	3	4	4.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	262
12. Ayr . .	42,400	11	9	9	5	2	6	7.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	278
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	9	5	8	1	2	9	11.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	7	51	33	44.0	0.47	11.6	242
14. Perth .	40,800	12	6	10	3	2	9	11.5	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	8	55	30	43.7	0.15	23.5	176
15. Hamilton .	40,600	12	2	3	..	2	5	6.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	508
16. Falkirk .	37,400	7	4	17	7	1	11	15.3	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	1	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	233
17. Airdrie .	31,700	12	4	4	..	3	7	11.5	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	143
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Nov. 6, 1954.	2,586,800	794	306	567	107	58	518	10.4	23	20	..	27	3	4	..	3	10	9	21	21	98	67	21	319	55†	30†	43.9‡	0.25‡	14.6‡	
Oct. 30, 1954.	2,586,800	840	330	536	103	58	491	9.9	20	15	2	22	3	4	1	1	6	4	16	22	106	78	16	286	60†	28†	46.2‡	2.05‡	24.3‡	
Nov. 7, 1953.	2,588,300	833	343	573	92	52	533	10.7	25	17	1	21	1	6	..	1	14	13	15	20	93	86	23	333	53†	30†	44.7‡	1.51‡	12.7‡	

* Numbers of Births, Stillbirths and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952 § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 45

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 13th November 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 13th November 1954, the births of 799 living children, and of 29 stillborn children, 284 marriages and 570 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 16.1 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 5.7 and the death-rate 11.5. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 35 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.1 more than in the previous week, and 0.3 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.5 less than in the previous week, but 0.1 above the average. The death-rate is 1.1 more than in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 18.0 in Clydebank and 15.9 in Kilmarnock to 8.2 in Airdrie and 8.1 in Dunfermline. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Falkirk 15.3 and in Aberdeen 14.1. In Glasgow the rate was 11.4 and in Edinburgh 11.0.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2 and are 1 fewer than in the previous week. They include 1 from meningococcal septicæmia, and 1 from influenza. There was also 1 death registered from acute poliomyelitis.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 12, of which 10 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 2 more than in the previous week, and the latter 1 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 43, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.9 per thousand. This death rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 24, being 3 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 14 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 363, and are 44 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 31, and are 10 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 9th November 1954, was 16,581. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 41.5° being 2.4° below that for the previous week, and 1.0° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.64 inches, and the mean sunshine 12.3 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 45 **Week ended SATURDAY, November 13th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	6
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	10
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	3	..	5	..	..	7	..	5	..	..	..	1	..	21
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	4	..	..	..	4	1	6	..	..	14	..	8	1	..	..	1	..	41
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	2	6	..	..	..	42	..	4	..	..	..	223	6	..	..	17	..	..	..	2	5	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	7
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	2	6	..	..	..	42	..	4	..	..	..	225	6	..	..	17	..	..	..	2	10	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	8

Fife C.	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	6	1	1	..	1	9	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	3
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Edinburgh B.	2	..	..	..	..	25	..	1	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	3	..	4	..	..	10	..	15	3	..	..	..	..	9
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	4	3	..	..	..	34	..	5	..	..	..	9	1	..	..	9	2	5	..	1	38	..	23	4	..	..	..	..	23
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	5	..	7	1	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	..	..	1	9	..	1	..	1	9	..	5	2	..	..	..	..	6
Airdrie B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	6	68	..	1	..	91	..	7	..	..	..	379	3	..	1	76	..	3	3	1	32	..	56	2	..	..	..	..	38
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	8	..	6	2	..	..	..	..	5
Greenock B.	..	9	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	2	3	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	11
Paisley B.	..	5	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	1	..	..	..	6	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	10	84	..	1	2	107	..	13	..	..	..	428	3	..	2	109	11	6	3	2	83	..	94	13	..	..	..	..	74
GRAND TOTAL	16	93	..	1	2	184	..	23	..	..	1	672	10	..	2	139	14	18	3	6	146	..	131	20	..	..	1	..	152

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 13, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 9, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 9th Nov. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	353	128	255	28	10	237	11.4	17	6	1	12	..	4	1	1	7	6	11	8	47	37	8	128	54	27	40.5	2.11	9.2	4,679
2. Edinburgh	470,500	129	56	106	13	6	99	11.0	2	3	..	5	1	..	..	..	3	2	5	4	19	10	11	79	53	30	41.9	0.89	16.4	1,363
3. Aberdeen	185,500	58	23	64	15	1	50	14.1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	6	11	3	30	51	28	39.9	0.44	14.1	755
4. Dundee	177,500	55	14	36	4	4	36	10.6	2	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	14	5	2	24	48	25	39.6	0.69	16.8	676
5. Paisley	94,500	22	5	17	1	2	18	9.9	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	2	3	4	1	10	56	28	42.9	2.98	9.4	436
6. Greenock	77,300	25	5	20	6	1	15	10.1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	5	..	1	12	51	32	42.7	3.75	6.9	452
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	26	5	12	2	3	13	9.7	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	4	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	534
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	16	11	12	3	..	9	9.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	213
9. Coatbridge	49,300	15	3	10	..	2	12	12.7	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	328
10. Dunfermline	45,300	16	3	9	2	..	7	8.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	4	58	28	42.4	0.68	12.2	270
11. Clydebank	46,400	21	2	8	1	9	16	18.0	..	2	..	3	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	2	11	..	..	..	..	..	266
12. Ayr	42,400	9	4	9	..	2	11	13.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	291
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	18	5	12	2	3	13	15.9	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	1	..	8	53	27	41.7	2.54	10.4	232
14. Perth	40,800	9	10	12	5	2	9	11.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	8	55	23	41.5	0.71	15.5	192
15. Hamilton	40,600	12	3	8	1	2	9	11.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	476
16. Falkirk	37,400	7	6	13	3	1	11	15.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	10	..	..	..	..	..	230
17. Airdrie	31,700	8	1	2	..	3	5	8.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	167
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Nov. 13, 1954.	2,586,800	799	284	605	86	51	570	11.5	29	14	1	24	5	4	3	2	12	10	22	21	113	85	31	363	58†	23†	41.5‡	1.64‡	12.3‡	
Nov. 6, 1954.	2,586,800	794	306	567	107	58	518	10.4	23	20	..	27	3	4	..	3	10	9	21	21	98	67	21	319	55†	30†	43.9‡	0.25‡	14.6‡	
Nov. 14, 1953.	2,588,300	853	277	623	103	55	575	11.6	25	16	3	30	7	6	1	3	9	8	20	24	104	86	30	327	54†	31†	44.2‡	2.38‡	7.4‡	

* Numbers of Births, Stillbirths and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 20th November 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 20th November 1954, the births of 830 living children, and of 26 stillborn children, 228 marriages and 606 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 16.7 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 4.6 and the death-rate 12.2. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 30 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.6 more than in the previous week, and 0.9 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.7 below the average. The death-rate is 0.7 more than in the previous week, and 0.4 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 24.6 in Ayr and 19.0 in Coatbridge to 4.9 in Airdrie and 3.8 in Perth. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Paisley 15.5 and in Falkirk 15.3. In Glasgow the rate was 12.2 and in Edinburgh 13.5.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous week 2 deaths were registered from these causes.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 13, of which 12 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 more than in the previous week, and the latter 2 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 51, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.0 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 27, being 3 more than in the previous week. Of these, 18 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 368, and are 5 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 25, and are 6 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 16th November 1954, was 17,977. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 41.1° being 0.4° below that for the previous week, and 0.5° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.22 inch, and the mean sunshine 17.8 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 46 — **Week ended SATURDAY, November 20th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
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Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	8
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Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
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Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	2	..	..	..	..	21	..	1	..	..	..	143	4	..	..	20	..	..	..	..	3	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	3
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
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East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	8
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	2
Kirkcaldy B.	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	3
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	1	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	14	..	9	1	..	..	..	6
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
TOTAL	..	5	..	..	..	40	..	2	1	..	..	11	..	..	1	5	1	3	1	4	36	..	17	3	..	..	1	..	29
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Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	79
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	15	2	..	..	8	..	..	1	1	8	..	8	5	..	..	..	3
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	5	91	..	2	5	101	..	5	..	..	..	387	1	..	3	117	..	..	4	4	43	..	37	2	2	..	.	49
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	1	..	3	1	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	6	..	1	1	..	..	..	3
Greenock B.	..	4	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	12
Paisley B.	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	7	..	4	..	..	..	..	2
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	3	..	3	2	..	..	..	2
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	6	96	..	2	5	118	..	10	..	..	2	418	3	..	3	150	10	3	5	5	87	..	73	11	2	..	1	..	155
GRAND TOTAL	8	101	..	2	5	181	..	16	1	..	2	578	7	..	7	188	15	17	6	10	149	..	110	15	2	..	2	..	258

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 46

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 20, 1954

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 16, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 16th Nov. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	369	105	263	29	19	253	12.2	16	10	..	15	1	5	..	..	9	8	6	21	45	37	8	135	51	27	41.0	0.19	11.0	4,911
2. Edinburgh	470,500	137	42	134	18	6	122	13.5	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	4	4	28	12	8	87	51	30	42.4	0.13	23.9	1,475
3. Aberdeen	185,500	53	15	53	20	1	34	9.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	1	3	1	2	24	50	33	41.9	0.22	28.1	1,088
4. Dundee	177,500	57	8	41	2	3	42	12.3	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	5	6	6	..	33	50	26	38.6	0.16	25.8	677
5. Paisley	94,500	24	7	29	6	5	28	15.5	..	2	..	4	2	2	..	..	..	..	2	1	7	3	1	12	55	28	43.1	0.18	13.2	441
6. Greenock	77,300	29	8	20	6	..	14	9.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	11	53	33	43.3	0.53	10.5	563
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	20	9	12	1	5	16	12.0	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	1	1	10	..	..	..	..	..	651
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	18	5	8	2	1	7	7.3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	252
9. Coatbridge	49,300	21	3	13	1	6	18	19.0	1	2	1	3	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	286
10. Dunfermline	45,300	9	5	11	1	1	11	12.7	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	1	5	50	25	40.4	0.22	15.9	280
11. Clydebank	46,400	18	3	10	5	3	8	9.0	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	308
12. Ayr	42,400	12	5	20	1	1	20	24.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	3	1	12	..	..	..	..	..	285
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	15	3	10	4	1	7	8.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	4	52	¶	¶	0.20	16.1	221
14. Perth	40,800	9	1	5	2	..	3	3.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	50	23	38.3	0.15	16.1	205
15. Hamilton	40,600	14	1	7	2	4	9	11.6	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	544
16. Falkirk	37,400	4	2	16	7	2	11	15.3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	4	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	261
17. Airdrie	31,700	21	6	2	1	2	3	4.9	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	180
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
Nov. 20, 1954.	2,586,800	830	228	654	108	60	606	12.2	26	18	1	27	4	11	..	..	13	12	18	33	114	74	25	368	55†	23†	41.1‡	0.22‡	17.8‡	
Nov. 13, 1954.	2,586,800	799	284	605	86	51	570	11.5	29	14	1	24	5	4	3	2	12	10	22	21	113	85	31	363	58†	23†	41.5‡	1.64‡	12.3‡	
Nov. 21, 1953.	2,588,300	814	227	578	78	61	561	11.3	18	11	1	29	3	4	3	4	17	16	28	18	89	77	33	353	58†	34†	48.2‡	0.29‡	4.8‡	

* Numbers of Births, Stillbirths and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952 § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 27th November 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 27th November 1954, the births of 767 living children, and of 21 stillborn children, 312 marriages and 624 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 15.5 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 6.3 and the death-rate 12.6. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 27 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.2 less than in the previous week, and 0.5 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.7 more than in the previous week, and 0.7 above the average. The death-rate is 0.4 more than in the previous week, and 0.2 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 21.5 in Paisley and 20.9 in Falkirk to 8.1 in Dunfermline and 6.7 in Clydebank. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Airdrie 16.4 and in Kirkcaldy 14.6. In Glasgow the rate was 12.4 and in Edinburgh 12.0.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 8 and are 8 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from measles, 2 from meningococcal infections, and 5 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 7, of which 6 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 6 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 6 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant numbered 47, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.9 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.3 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 32, being 5 more than in the previous week. Of these, 11 were aged 0-6 days and 2 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 390, and are 22 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 32, and are 7 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 23rd November 1954, was 19,302. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 41.9° being 0.8° above that for the previous week, and 1.6° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 2.91 inches, and the mean sunshine 6.7 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 47 — **Week ended SATURDAY, November 27th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
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Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	2	1	1	..	..	5	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	8
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	3	..	..	2	6	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	3	..	18
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	6
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	3
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	3	..	..	2	9	4	1	..	..	13	..	6	3	..	..	3	..	40
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	3	..	..	..	11	..	2	..	..	..	128	4	..	..	20	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	5
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL		3				19		3				129	4			24	3				14		4						5

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	1	..	..	1	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dunfermline B.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	3
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	2
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	1	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	10	..	20	..	..	..	..	..	11
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	2	..	..	..	31	..	2	3	..	..	10	..	..	2	7	1	1	..	2	39	..	33	2	..	..	..	..	22
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	15
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	4	..	..	1	11	..	2	..	..	..	24	2	..	..	12	..	1	1	..	6	..	8	4	..	..	..	..	11
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	6	73	..	6	7	110	..	2	..	..	..	362	..	..	2	106	..	..	3	3	37	..	38	6	..	..	..	..	47
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	4	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	8	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	17
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	5	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	3
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	6	83	..	6	8	128	..	4	..	..	1	403	2	..	4	156	9	6	5	4	85	..	74	13	..	..	..	..	100
GRAND TOTAL	7	88	..	6	8	183	..	14	3	..	1	548	6	..	8	198	18	9	5	6	156	..	117	19	..	..	3	..	175

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 47

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 27, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 23, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 23rd Nov. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	338	110	276	37	18	257	12.4	13	5	1	17	..	1	..	4	4	3	11	15	48	29	12	153	48	33	40.4	3.19	7.6	5,219
2. Edinburgh	470,500	130	67	114	10	4	108	12.0	1	1	..	2	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	3	27	19	6	74	49	35	42.0	1.46	8.0	1,738
3. Aberdeen	185,500	51	29	61	12	1	50	14.1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	1	1	6	..	6	5	1	36	48	34	42.7	4.53	4.3	1,567
4. Dundee	177,500	53	20	41	8	2	35	10.3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	12	2	4	18	48	32	41.0	2.76	5.9	643
5. Paisley	94,500	29	8	46	8	1	39	21.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	3	7	3	4	24	50	35	43.1	3.22	6.5	478
6. Greenock	77,300	27	14	21	2	1	20	13.5	3	1	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	6	..	1	9	50	36	42.7	3.44	6.2	473
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	24	6	12	1	5	16	12.0	..	1	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	3	2	11	..	..	..	..	..	580
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	14	9	14	2	2	14	14.6	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	296
9. Coatbridge	49,300	19	8	8	1	5	12	12.7	..	2	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	321
10. Dunfermline	45,300	6	7	10	3	..	7	8.1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	6	50	35	42.2	2.24	6.2	292
11. Clydebank	46,400	17	2	5	2	3	6	6.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	285
12. Ayr	42,400	6	5	5	..	5	10	12.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	306
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	15	7	8	3	3	8	9.8	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	6	51	¶	¶	2.04	9.0	248
14. Perth	40,800	7	9	7	1	2	8	10.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	6	50	32	41.3	3.28	6.5	206
15. Hamilton	40,600	11	4	8	1	2	9	11.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	583
16. Falkirk	37,400	7	6	15	1	1	15	20.9	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	5	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	275
17. Airdrie	31,700	13	1	6	..	4	10	16.4	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	150
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Nov. 27, 1954.	2,586,800	767	312	657	92	59	624	12.6	21	11	2	32	3	6	1	8	7	6	23	24	126	76	32	390	51†	32†	41.9‡	2.91‡	6.7‡	
Nov. 20, 1954.	2,586,800	830	228	654	108	60	606	12.2	26	18	1	27	4	11	..	..	13	12	18	33	114	74	25	368	55†	23†	41.1‡	0.22‡	17.8‡	
Nov. 28, 1953.	2,588,300‖	782	283	590	83	34	541	10.9	18	8	4	23	4	5	3	1	19	16	20	20	94	86	23	345	58†	36†	46.9‡	0.87‡	10.8‡	

* Numbers of Births, Stillbirths and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952 § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza. ¶ Not available.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 4th December 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 4th December 1954, the births of 821 living children, and of 29 stillborn children, 402 marriages and 606 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 16.5 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 8.1 and the death-rate 12.2. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 34 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.0 more than in the previous week, and 0.2 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.8 more than in the previous week, and 1.2 above the average. The death-rate is 0.4 less than in the previous week, and 0.5 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 18.4 in Ayr and 17.3 in Dunfermline to 7.7 in Hamilton and 4.9 in Kilmarnock. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dundee 16.2 and in Kirkcaldy 15.6. In Glasgow the rate was 12.4 and in Edinburgh 11.9.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2 and are 6 fewer than in the previous week. The deaths registered were from influenza. There was also 1 death from acute poliomyelitis.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 15, of which 14 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 8 more than in the previous week, and the latter 8 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 60, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.2 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.3 more than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 24, being 8 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 18 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 380, and are 10 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 24, and are 8 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 30th November 1954, was 20,543. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 45.7° being 3.8° above that for the previous week, and 4.6° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.40 inches and the mean sunshine 8.2 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 48 **Week ended SATURDAY, December 4th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	9	8	..	..	..	..	4	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	28
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	3	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	9	..	..	9	18	5	3	..	..	7	..	4	3	..	..	..	..	56
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	1	..	..	..	24	..	2	..	..	..	91	2	..	2	7	..	..	..	1	2	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	12
Perth and Kinross C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	1	..	..	..	27	..	2	..	..	..	92	2	..	2	8	..	..	..	1	11	..	5	3	..	..	..	..	12

Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	2	..	2	..	11	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dunfermline B.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kirkcaldy B.	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	3	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	5
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	22	..	..	..	..	1	10	..	..	8	10	..	1	..	1	9	..	14	1	..	..	..	..	..	11
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
TOTAL	1	4	..	..	..	35	..	5	3	..	2	16	..	..	12	21	3	2	2	1	44	..	24	11	..	..	..	..	..	23
WESTERN REGION.—																														
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	9	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Ayr B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	1	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	13	..	..	1	..	5	..	16	2	..	..	..	..	..	5
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	6	104	..	1	8	97	1	3	..	..	..	403	1	..	2	98	..	4	2	1	48	..	37	7	..	5	.	..	..	58
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	21	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	6	2	..	..	..	..	..	6
Paisley B.	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	10	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	8	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	7	128	..	1	9	122	1	7	..	..	..	429	1	..	3	133	7	5	3	2	120	..	95	15	..	5	..	..	..	84
GRAND TOTAL	9	133	..	1	9	188	1	15	3	..	2	548	3	..	26	181	15	11	5	4	186	..	128	32	..	5	..	..	..	180

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 48

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 4, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 30th Nov. 1954. **
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	351	170	282	36	13	259	12.4	16	8	..	11	2	..	1	..	4	3	11	19	33	41	10	159	54	33	44.4	1.61	1.3	5,129
2. Edinburgh	470,500	135	57	121	21	7	107	11.9	1	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	2	3	3	23	13	4	71	57	37	45.7	0.85	12.4	2,069
3. Aberdeen	185,500	64	31	49	12	1	38	10.7	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	1	1	3	1	3	6	4	25	56	38	45.1	0.66	13.3	1,845
4. Dundee	177,500	60	34	60	5	..	55	16.2	..	3	..	3	2	..	..	..	2	2	2	5	7	8	3	34	55	34	44.9	0.86	12.2	742
5. Paisley	94,500	33	18	19	1	1	19	10.5	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	..	14	55	36	46.0	2.54	2.1	455
6. Greenock	77,300	23	14	20	4	1	17	11.5	1	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	2	2	2	1	10	54	37	46.1	2.78	3.2	527
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	14	12	13	4	5	14	10.5	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	5	3	1	9	..	..	..	..	..	632
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	11	2	15	4	4	15	15.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	3	5	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	350
9. Coatbridge	49,300	20	4	7	..	2	9	9.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	311
10. Dunfermline	45,300	11	4	20	5	..	15	17.3	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	..	8	56	36	46.2	0.74	12.6	361
11. Clydebank	46,400	22	10	5	..	4	9	10.1	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	284
12. Ayr	42,400	11	8	18	4	1	15	18.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	2	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	311
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	16	4	8	4	..	4	4.9	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	56	37	47.3	1.27	4.0	253
14. Perth	40,800	13	10	11	3	1	9	11.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	2	1	..	7	55	34	45.7	1.27	12.8	201
15. Hamilton	40,600	18	9	4	..	2	6	7.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	3	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	567
16. Falkirk	37,400	6	10	13	4	..	9	12.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	2	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	261
17. Airdrie	31,700	13	5	3	..	3	6	9.9	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	189
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Dec. 4, 1954.	2,586,800	821	402	668	107	45	606	12.2	29	18	1	24	4	1	1	2	15	14	22	38	87	90	24	380	57†	33†	45.7‡	1.40‡	8.2‡	
Nov. 30, 1954.	2,586,800	767	312	657	92	59	624	12.6	21	11	2	32	3	6	1	8	7	6	23	24	126	76	32	390	51†	32†	41.9‡	2.91‡	6.7‡	
Dec. 5, 1953.	2,588,300	832	372	549	81	55	523	10.5	27	14	1	24	3	7	3	1	18	14	19	19	95	66	13	329	57†	24†	45.6‡	2.05‡	6.9‡	

* Numbers of Births, Stillbirths and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952 § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 11th December 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 11th December 1954, the births of 798 living children, and of 24 stillborn children, 279 marriages and 589 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 16.1 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 5.6 and the death-rate 11.9. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 29 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.4 less than in the previous week, and 0.1 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 2.5 less than in the previous week, and 1.1 below the average. The death-rate is 0.3 less than in the previous week, and 2.1 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 15.5 in Greenock and 14.6 in Kirkcaldy to 7.0 in Falkirk and 6.7 in Clydebank. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Hamilton 14.1 and in Glasgow 12.9. In Edinburgh the rate was 12.3.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2 and are the same as in the previous week. They include 1 from whooping cough and 1 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 20, of which 18 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 5 more than in the previous week, and the latter 4 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 54, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.1 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.4 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 23, being 1 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 12 were aged 0-6 days but there were none aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 357, and are 23 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 28, and are 4 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 7th December 1954, was 21,607. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 36.4° being 9.3° below that for the previous week, and 4.2° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.32 inches, and the mean sunshine 9.2 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 49 **Week ended SATURDAY, December 11th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	10	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	1	1	..	..	12	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	8
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	3	1	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	4
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	20
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	..	1	12	3	2	..	..	9	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	40
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	8	..	..	2	19	..	..	..	..	..	57	2	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	3	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	4
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	8	..	..	2	24	..	1	1	..	..	57	2	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	10	..	8	4	..	..	..	..	4

Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	3	1	..	7	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Kirkcaldy B.	..	4	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	5	1	..	2	3	..	..	..	1	1	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	15	..	4	..	..	..	4	..	..	7	4	..	..	..	..	6	..	21	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	4	..	..	..	19	..	6	1	..	..	10	1	..	9	16	1	3	1	1	27	..	36	6	..	..	..	..	..	16
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Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	..	..	..	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	2	2	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	10	..	..	2	12	..	..	..	..	9	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	2	88	..	3	6	93	..	7	..	..	..	385	..	..	1	116	..	1	4	..	37	..	35	4	3	..	.	..	..	52
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	8	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Greenock B.	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	..	..	..	2	4	..	..	..	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	12
Paisley B.	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	10	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	6	98	..	3	6	113	1	13	..	..	..	416	..	..	5	162	12	4	4	..	93	..	86	9	4	..	..	..	..	97
GRAND TOTAL	6	110	..	3	8	165	1	21	2	..	..	493	3	..	15	197	17	11	5	1	151	..	134	22	4	..	..	..	..	165

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

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RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 11, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 7, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 7th Dec. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	334	107	281	32	19	268	12.9	15	5	..	9	1	1	..	1	12	11	6	18	50	37	13	155	42	27	35.1	0.99	4.4	5,009
2. Edinburgh	470,500	127	48	122	18	7	111	12.3	2	2	..	3	..	..	..	1	3	2	3	5	19	13	3	68	42	28	36.1	1.13	12.8	2,699
3. Aberdeen	185,500	52	28	43	13	1	31	8.7	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	2	7	1	24	42	30	36.9	1.78	16.6	1,378
4. Dundee	177,500	57	23	41	4	4	41	12.0	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	10	11	1	28	44	25	35.1	1.96	13.5	691
5. Paisley	94,500	29	5	15	6	4	13	7.2	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	5	45	28	37.6	0.92	7.2	505
6. Greenock	77,300	30	5	29	6	..	23	15.5	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	2	1	..	1	4	1	15	46	31	38.4	0.89	5.6	482
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	25	6	9	1	7	15	11.2	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	2	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	631
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	14	5	16	3	1	14	14.6	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	2	10	..	..	..	..	..	547
9. Coatbridge	49,300	21	2	10	1	3	12	12.7	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	1	4	..	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	308
10. Dunfermline	45,300	16	10	15	4	..	11	12.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	1	7	43	25	35.8	1.33	7.6	399
11. Clydebank	46,400	17	8	8	5	3	6	6.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	255
12. Ayr	42,400	18	4	14	7	3	10	12.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	7	..	..	..	..	..	327
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	17	6	9	5	2	6	7.3	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	48	28	37.2	0.88	7.3	263
14. Perth	40,800	7	8	9	4	1	6	7.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	44	23	35.3	1.99	8.1	244
15. Hamilton	40,600	14	7	7	1	5	11	14.1	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	3	1	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	541
16. Falkirk	37,400	9	2	5	..	..	5	7.0	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	264
17. Airdrie	31,700	11	5	5	..	1	6	9.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	212
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Dec. 11, 1954.	2,586,800	798	279	638	110	61	589	11.9	24	12	..	23	2	3	..	2	20	18	19	35	101	81	28	357	48†	23†	36.4‡	1.32‡	9.2‡	
Dec. 4, 1954.	2,586,800	821	402	668	107	45	606	12.2	29	18	1	24	4	1	1	2	15	14	22	38	87	90	24	380	57†	33†	45.7‡	1.40‡	8.2‡	
Dec. 12, 1953.	2,588,300	792	315	625	91	55	589	11.9	22	7	1	17	3	2	..	3	14	12	17	20	110	93	28	361	53†	28†	45.1‡	0.42‡	1.0‡	

* Numbers of Births, Stillbirths and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 18th December 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the ate of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered uring the week ended 18th December 1954, the births of 870 living children, and f 29 stillborn children, 330 marriages and 690 deaths. In the case of births, tillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The quivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.5 per thousand of the opulation, the marriage-rate 6.7 and the death-rate 13.9. The number of still-irths corresponds to a rate of 32 per thousand total births registered (including tillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.4 more than in the previous week, and 1.0 above he five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.1 more than in the previous week, nd 0.4 above the average. The death-rate is 2.0 more than in the previous week, ut 0.3 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 22.1 in Ayr and 8.1 in Airdrie to 10.3 in Hamilton and 9.5 in Coatbridge. Relatively high death-ates occurred in Motherwell & Wishaw 17.2 and in Clydebank 15.7. In Glasgow he rate was 12.8 and in Edinburgh 15.3.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 3 and are 1 more than the previous week. They include 1 from meningococcal meningitis and 2 from nfluenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 17, of which 14 were from uberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 3 fewer than in the revious week, and the latter 4 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and nalignant) numbered 73, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of .5 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.4 more than in the previous week, but 0.2 elow the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 34, being 11 more han in the previous week. Of these, 20 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 ays. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 425, and are 68 nore than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 27, and are 1 fewer than in the revious week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance cts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 14th December 1954, was 21,779. The number f such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page f this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 1.0° being 4.6° above that for the previous week, and 1.6° above the average for he corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.95 inch, and the mean sunshine 6.3.

OTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 50 **Week ended SATURDAY, December 18th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	12
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	5	..	..	..	1	4	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	19
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	21
Orkney C.	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	2	..	..	..	20	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	14	7	2	..	1	5	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	51
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	2	..	..	..	39	..	..	..	..	..	63	2	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	5	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	7
Perth and Kinross C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Berwick C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	4	12	..	..	..	4	..	7	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	6	..	..	2	5	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Edinburgh B.	1	..	..	..	..	22	..	5	..	..	..	1	..	..	14	3	..	1	..	6	..	14	1	..	..	1	..	..	4
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	1	..	..	..	43	..	8	..	..	1	9	1	..	22	22	..	3	..	2	15	..	31	3	..	..	1	..	8
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	2	..	..	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	22
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	3	..	..	..	18	..	1	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	10	..	10	3	..	..	..	..	4
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	9	102	..	1	5	109	..	8	..	..	..	342	2	..	7	102	..	1	5	1	29	..	54	7	..	..	.	..	53
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Renfrew C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	18	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	47	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	3	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	7
Paisley B.	..	3	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	15	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	10	126	..	1	6	148	..	11	..	..	..	398	2	..	8	149	9	1	6	1	78	..	86	15	..	..	..	..	91
GRAND TOTAL	14	131	..	1	6	257	..	21	..	..	1	472	5	..	32	188	17	7	6	5	112	..	127	21	..	..	1	..	171

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 50

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 18, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 14, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 14th Dec. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	395	131	288	31	10	267	12.8	16	8	3	17	3	1	1	1	5	5	15	22	52	29	12	162	52	28	40.7	1.13	4.3	4,789
2. Edinburgh	470,500	137	55	151	17	4	138	15.3	3	5	..	7	3	2	1	2	4	4	4	11	27	16	4	86	54	31	42.8	0.43	8.7	3,038
3. Aberdeen	185,500	52	34	64	10	..	54	15.2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	4	..	16	5	2	37	53	29	39.9	0.34	10.0	1,001
4. Dundee	177,500	51	28	57	8	3	52	15.3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	6	12	3	38	52	26	37.7	0.30	8.1	694
5. Paisley	94,500	35	5	21	4	4	21	11.6	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	3	2	11	53	29	42.9	1.41	4.8	386
6. Greenock	77,300	28	8	21	1	1	21	14.2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	2	2	1	1	14	53	32	43.3	2.36	1.5	455
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	27	6	21	5	7	23	17.2	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	2	1	1	2	3	1	12	..	..	..	..	..	633
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	14	8	13	3	3	13	13.5	2	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	4	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	684
9. Coatbridge	49,300	29	4	6	..	3	9	9.5	1	2	..	3	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	273
10. Dunfermline	45,300	14	8	13	3	2	12	13.8	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	7	52	24	40.1	0.56	8.0	492
11. Clydebank	46,400	10	6	9	1	6	14	15.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	2	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	260
12. Ayr	42,400	17	6	20	4	2	18	22.1	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	1	9	..	..	..	..	..	325
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	16	8	14	5	..	9	11.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	5	53	30	43.0	1.40	4.6	297
14. Perth	40,800	13	8	14	6	1	9	11.5	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	..	7	52	24	38.2	0.64	7.1	226
15. Hamilton	40,600	15	2	8	1	1	8	10.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	616
16. Falkirk	37,400	8	5	12	1	..	11	15.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	264
17. Airdrie	31,700	9	8	8	..	3	11	18.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	1	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	189
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Dec. 18, 1954.	2,586,800	870	330	740	100	50	690	13.9	29	20	2	34	8	4	2	3	17	14	31	42	126	86	27	425	54†	24†	41.0‡	0.95‡	6.3‡	
Dec. 11, 1954.	2,586,800	798	279	638	110	61	589	11.9	24	12	..	23	2	3	..	2	20	18	19	35	101	81	28	357	48†	23†	36.4‡	1.32‡	9.2‡	
Dec. 19, 1953.	2,588,300	783	350	590	79	48	559	11.3	19	7	1	25	1	4	..	4	18	17	21	34	104	84	30	319	53†	23†	41.3‡	0.46‡	9.7‡	

* Numbers of Births, Stillbirths and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952 § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 51

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 25th December 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 25th December 1954, the births of 730 living children, and of 18 stillborn children, 465 marriages and 599 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 14.7 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 9.4 and the death-rate 12.1. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 24 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 2.8 less than in the previous week, and 1.1 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 2.7 more than in the previous week, and 0.7 above the average. The death-rate is 1.8 less than in the previous week, and 2.2 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 18.4 in Ayr and 17.1 in Kilmarnock to 5.6 in Clydebank and 4.6 in Dunfermline. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Edinburgh 15.7 and in Dundee 15.6. In Glasgow the rate was 12.4.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 4 and are 1 more than in the previous week. The deaths registered were from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 20, all of which were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 3 more than in the previous week, and the latter 6 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 58, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.2 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.3 less than in the previous week, and 0.5 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 25, being 9 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 11 were aged 0-6 days and 6 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 370, and are 55 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 24, and are 3 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 21st December 1954, was 21,377. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 41.7° being 0.7° above that for the previous week, and 2.5° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.99 inch, and the mean sunshine 5.0 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 51 **Week ended SATURDAY, December 25th, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	3	2	..	1	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Aberdeen B.	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	28
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	4	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	2	4	3	..	..	..	1	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	43
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	2	8	..	..	..	17	..	2	..	..	..	57	4	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..

SOUTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Berwick C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	18	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	1	..	..	5	..	2	1	..	..	1	..	..	..
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Edinburgh B.	2	..	..	..	..	8	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	13	10	..	..	..	5	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	2	2	..	..	..	29	..	5	..	..	..	4	..	..	18	24	1	..	..	..	24	..	14	3	..	..	1	..	2
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	7	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	3	..	..	..	24	..	..	..	..	..	25	1	..	..	17	..	..	..	9	..	9	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	8	69	..	3	4	71	..	6	..	..	..	214	1	..	2	86	..	2	9	1	19	..	36	4	..	..	..	..	33
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	8	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	22	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	18
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	10	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	1
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	8	75	..	3	4	120	..	8	1	..	..	262	3	..	7	127	5	2	9	2	75	..	76	10	..	..	..	..	56
GRAND TOTAL	16	85	..	3	4	177	..	19	2	..	..	328	7	..	31	160	10	3	9	3	108	..	102	13	..	..	1	..	110

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 51

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 25, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 21, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 21st Dec. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	307	205	272	24	9	257	12.4	6	5	2	11	1	5	..	3	12	12	13	12	37	37	9	148	50	29	41.4	1.42	1.7	4,298
2. Edinburgh	470,500	101	80	154	18	6	142	15.7	4	1	3	4	1	2	..	1	5	5	7	10	26	12	7	104	51	30	41.9	0.39	2.7	3,212
3. Aberdeen	185,500	56	30	30	8	..	22	6.2	2	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	6	..	11	51	29	39.3	0.60	12.0	766
4. Dundee	177,500	44	37	58	7	2	53	15.6	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	9	11	2	29	51	26	38.8	0.27	11.0	655
5. Paisley	94,500	31	22	17	4	1	14	7.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	4	..	7	52	32	43.1	1.39	1.6	394
6. Greenock	77,300	30	8	18	4	..	14	9.4	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	1	3	6	51	33	43.8	2.33	..	390
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	23	4	7	..	5	12	9.0	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	539
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	19	7	7	1	4	10	10.4	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	745
9. Coatbridge	49,300	21	7	4	..	3	7	7.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	220
10. Dunfermline	45,300	17	13	6	2	..	4	4.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	4	50	28	41.8	0.38	3.8	654
11. Clydebank	46,400	16	5	6	2	1	5	5.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	264
12. Ayr	42,400	8	8	16	1	..	15	18.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	3	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	289
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	15	11	15	2	1	14	17.1	1	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	3	1	8	51	31	43.7	1.88	2.7	263
14. Perth	40,800	13	6	9	2	1	8	10.2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	7	53	29	41.8	0.28	9.4	240
15. Hamilton	40,600	11	8	3	..	3	6	7.7	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	502
16. Falkirk	37,400	5	5	15	4	..	11	15.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	1	9	..	..	..	..	..	294
17. Airdrie	31,700	13	9	4	..	1	5	8.2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	153
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Dec. 25, 1954.	2,586,800	730	465	641	79	37	599	12.1	18	11	6	25	2	10	..	4	20	20	27	31	91	84	24	370	53†	26†	41.7‡	0.99‡	5.0‡	
Dec. 18, 1954.	2,586,800	870	330	740	100	50	690	13.9	29	20	3	34	8	4	2	3	17	14	31	42	126	86	27	425	54†	24†	41.0‡	0.95‡	6.3‡	
Dec. 26, 1953.	2,588,300	666	538	678	93	56	641	12.9	14	20	8	47	7	5	2	4	29	27	31	37	100	78	21	374	52†	29†	42.0‡	1.20‡	11.4‡	

* Numbers of Births, Stillbirths and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952 § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 52

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

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Week ended Saturday, 1st January 1955

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 1st January 1955, the births of 844 living children, and of 23 stillborn children, 810 marriages and 681 deaths. In the case of births, stillbirths and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.0 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 16.3 and the death-rate 13.7. The number of stillbirths corresponds to a rate of 27 per thousand total births registered (including stillborn).

The birth-rate of the week is 2.3 more than in the previous week, and 0.4 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 6.9 more than in the previous week, and 0.9 above the average. The death-rate is 1.6 more than in the previous week, but 0.9 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 19.7 in Ayr and 19.5 in Falkirk to 9.2 in Dunfermline and 8.8 in Paisley. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Greenock 18.9 and in Edinburgh 16.6. In Glasgow the rate was 12.4.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 4 and are the same as in the previous week. They include 1 from meningococcal septicæmia, 1 from measles and 2 from influenza. There was also 1 death from bacillary dysentery.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 9, all of which were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 11 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 11 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant numbered 55, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.1 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.6 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 37, being 12 more than in the previous week. Of these, 20 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 417, and are 47 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 26, and are 2 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 28th December 1954, was 18,486. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 44.6° being 2.9° above that for the previous week, and 5.7° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.46 inch, and the mean sunshine 3.3 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 52 — **Week ended SATURDAY, January 1st, 1955.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN REGION.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
NORTH-EASTERN REGION.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	8	1	..	..	4	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	4
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	12
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	8	1	..	..	8	..	9	2	1	..	..	..	20
EASTERN REGION.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	2	1	..	..	..	34	..	..	..	..	..	41	1	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	5
TOTAL	2	1	..	..	..	34	..	1	..	..	..	41	1	..	..	11	1	..	..	..	14	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	8

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	25	1	..	2	1	5	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	7	7	..	..	..	1	6	..	17	3	..	..	..	..	6
Peebles C	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	15	..	6	..	..	..	6	..	..	18	38	2	..	2	2	25	..	25	6	..	..	2	..	14
WESTERN REGION.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	5	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	..	19	..	1	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	12	..	..	1	..	8	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	5
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..
Glasgow B.	10	54	..	4	3	64	1	5	..	..	..	155	1	..	..	71	..	..	1	3	26	..	45	3	..	..	..	..	33
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	4	..	..	..	..	3
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	2	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	1	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Greenock B.	..	19	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	35	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	2	3	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	16
Paisley B.	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	1	..	..	..	14	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	11	76	..	4	3	116	1	12	1	..	..	193	4	..	2	121	11	2	2	5	84	..	95	14	..	..	..	..	61
GRAND TOTAL	13	77	..	4	3	175	1	23	1	..	..	241	5	..	20	178	22	3	4	9	134	..	131	23	1	..	2	..	103

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

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RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JANUARY 1, 1955
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 28, 1954

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1953	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Stillbirths	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ended 28th Dec. 1954.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,085,000	340	353	272	27	14	259	12.4	11	8	1	17	1	2	..	1	4	4	7	13	46	38	9	144	50	33	43.9	0.33	2.3	3,536
2. Edinburgh	470,500	133	135	166	23	7	150	16.6	2	2	..	5	1	..	..	1	2	2	9	6	20	28	6	107	51	35	44.6	0.09	8.1	2,262
3. Aberdeen	185,500	69	48	59	16	4	47	13.2	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	2	4	6	12	..	33	51	35	43.1	0.52	7.0	675
4. Dundee	177,500	65	49	47	4	6	49	14.4	1	3	1	4	..	1	..	..	2	2	1	3	3	11	2	32	50	35	42.2	0.50	5.5	575
5. Paisley	94,500	28	33	20	6	2	16	8.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	..	13	52	34	46.2	0.43	0.4	331
6. Greenock	77,300	30	21	28	2	2	28	18.9	..	2	1	3	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	11	2	13	51	36	45.9	1.35	0.0	325
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,600	24	32	15	1	5	19	14.2	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	3	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	526
8. Kirkcaldy	50,100	14	14	10	2	4	12	12.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	443
9. Coatbridge	49,300	25	19	13	2	2	13	13.7	3	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	2	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	248
10. Dunfermline	45,300	14	12	12	4	..	8	9.2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	5	51	37	45.3	0.16	3.2	695
11. Clydebank	46,400	19	15	9	2	2	9	10.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	228
12. Ayr	42,400	16	10	10	3	9	16	19.7	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	4	8	..	..	..	..	..	244
13. Kilmarnock	42,800	14	13	11	3	2	10	12.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	6	51	35	45.5	0.48	1.2	217
14. Perth	40,800	13	6	7	1	4	10	12.8	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	2	1	5	53	36	44.4	0.24	2.0	191
15. Hamilton	40,600	10	22	6	..	5	11	14.1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	468
16. Falkirk	37,400	16	12	17	3	..	14	19.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	4	3	2	9	..	..	..	..	..	293
17. Airdrie	31,700	14	16	6	..	4	10	16.4	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	149
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Jan. 1, 1955.	2,586,800	844	810	708	99	72	681	13.7	23	20	3	37	3	8	..	4	9	9	24	31	100	124	26	417	53†	33†	44.6‡	0.46‡	3.3‡	
Dec. 25, 1954.	2,586,800	730	465	641	79	37	599	12.1	18	11	6	25	2	10	..	4	20	20	27	31	91	84	24	370	53†	26†	41.7‡	0.99‡	5.0‡	
Jan. 2, 1954.	2,588,300	823	800	697	98	48	647	13.0	20	18	4	36	5	4	..	3	15	14	27	27	105	102	31	392	53†	25†	39.8‡	0.13‡	13.2‡	

* Numbers of Births, Stillbirths and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1952

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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